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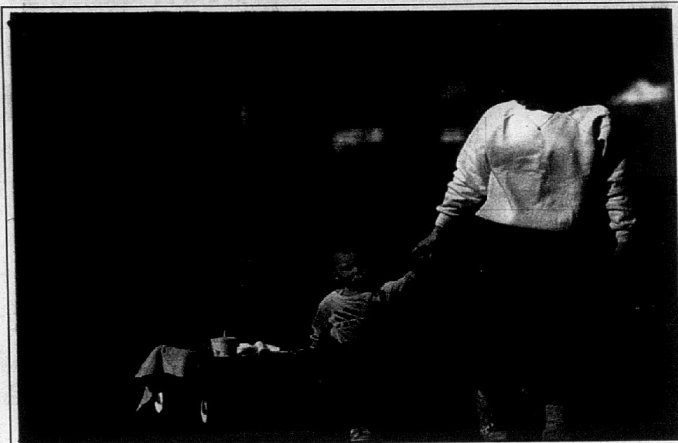
SIU officials are rethinking the plan for large tuition increases.

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PEOPLE

Granite City school officials are seeking bids for a new all-weather track.

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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)

Strollin' — Jenny Antonovich and her son, Kyle, 1, take a walk down the State Street side of Wilson Park during one of the warmer days last week.

Township budget report

Expenses triple outlay

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City Township spent more than \$186,000 last year on administration of a program that provided less than \$52,000 in assistance to the needy.

According to the annual township report presented at Tuesday night's town meeting, the Granite City Township General Assistance program provided \$51,785 in food, rent, utility and medical expenses to needy individuals between March 1, 1996 and Feb. 28, 1997.

But, it cost the township \$186,548 in salaries and benefits to employees overseeing the general assistance program.

The program began the year with five full-time workers. But that number was reduced to four when office manager Bernie Hagnauer took over the job of township supervisor following the death of her husband, former supervi-

'That balance could provide assistance to needy individuals for the next four years — excluding administrative expenses — without a single penny of additional revenue.

sor Nellie Hagnauer.

Bernie Hagnauer was paid \$5,960; bookkeeper/caseworker Laura Harris was paid \$19,696; receptionist Vivian Callender was paid \$26,796; assistant bookkeeper/intake worker Mary Beth Hagnauer received \$20,389; and intake worker

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Partney resolution rejected

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

David Partney's latest attempt to eliminate township government in Granite City was thwarted at the annual Town Meeting Tuesday night when Township Attorney Bill Schooley ruled a resolution drafted by Partney out of order.

Partney's "advisory" resolution called for the town electors — all registered voters who attended the meeting — to direct the town board to eliminate the township assessor's office — except for the elected position of assessor — and contract with Madison County

to provide assessment services.

But Schooley ruled Partney "out of order" before the resolution was read and said the town electors do not have the power to tell the town board — also the city council in Granite City — what to do.

The meeting, attended by 40 people, quickly adjourned with no further discussion.

Partney said after the meeting that the Madison County Supervisor of Assessments office can provide services for \$45,000 annually, except in quadrennial years, when a fee of \$150,000 would cover costs.

According to the annual town report, Granite

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Mitchell mulls incorporation

Residents of the small community of Mitchell are banding together to stop possible annexations by Granite City, Pontoon Beach and Edwardsville.

If they are successful, Madison County may soon have a new municipality stretching from Hartford to Granite City and from the Mississippi River to Edwardsville.

More than 200 people packed the Chouteau Township Community Building Monday night to voice approval for incorporation as the Village of Mitchell.

The effort is spearheaded by Chief Eddie Lee of the Mitchell Fire Protection District and resident Bill Bain, commander of a local Neighborhood Watch Program.

"This is the biggest crowd I've ever seen in this building, and it's the best thing that's happened to this community in a long time," Lee said.

Lee outlined his ideas to stop neighboring cities from gobbling up territory in his fire protection district.

He also hopes the new Village of Mitchell may have a shot at claiming the new proposed Gateway Commerce Center industrial park planned

Selph has doubts about plan's viability

Mayor Ron Selph said Tuesday the proposed incorporation of the Village of Mitchell would totally landlock his city.

"I have nothing against Mitchell, but we're certainly concerned about this," Selph said of the proposed incorporation. "We've been hemmed in everywhere but the north, and this would stop any future growth of the city."

More than 200 people gathered Monday night in Mitchell to kick off an incorporation drive. They hope to incorporate a 34-square-mile area by having a vote on the November ballot.

Residents of Mitchell, a small town near Interstate 270 and Illinois Route 203, say they are tired of annexations by neighboring Granite City and Pontoon Beach.

Mitchell's residents formed six committees, led by Chief Eddie Lee of the Mitchell Fire Protection District, to research annexation.

Selph said Tuesday he thinks Mitchell's plans are "grand aspirations" that may never come to pass.

"It's going to cost them a fortune to provide services," Selph said.

He said Granite City has done a lot to encourage development along Illinois Route 3 north of the city.

"If Mitchell incorporates, it would pretty well mean the end of any plans we have for TIF (tax-increment financing) in that area," Selph said.

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nearby. But he acknowledged the others, especially the city of

Edwardsville, have the upper hand on Mitchell with regard

(See MITCHELL, Page 6A)



Award — Goni Michaeloff of the Granite City School District, Grigsby Principal Alan Crider and science and technology teacher Larry Wessels accept a check from J. Ed Henderson, Toshiba America Medical Systems area services manager. They are joined by district Superintendent Steve Balen, at right. Behind them a group of students works on one of the school's computers. See Page 2A for story and photo.

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John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSDK NewsChannel 5

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Top Teen

Melissa Hammond is the Granite City Press-Record Top Teen.

A senior at Granite City High School, she is a member of National Honor Society, Who's Who, Tri-M Society, Students Against Driving Drunk, marching band, pep band, concert band, Band Letterman's Club, band council, Red Peppers, Science Club, Environmental Club and Junior Achievement.

She is on the high honor roll and participated in the Miss Teen Illinois Pageant. She is a member of Granite's Rock and Harvest Assembly youth groups.

She was named Elks student of the month in February.



Melissa Hammond

Whitsell sworn in as new trustee

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Re-elected Pontoon Beach Village Trustees Bob Abel and Bob Vincent and newly elected Trustee Lou Whitsell, former comptroller, were sworn in Tuesday to their positions on the village board. Whitsell replaced former Trustee Mike Macek.

After being sworn in as trustee, Whitsell relinquished his position as comptroller, and Mayor Glen Wilson appointed Pam Beckley to replace him. Beckley, who is married to Pontoon Beach

Patrolman Mark Beckley, will work part-time and receive \$800 a month.

The village board then created two deputy comptroller positions to assist Beckley and appointed Pat Ervay and Pam Kaskeski to those jobs.

Kaskeski was working as deputy village clerk in place of Ervay, who resigned from that position several weeks ago. The deputy clerk's position was dissolved after Kaskeski was appointed deputy comptroller.

Both Ervay and Kaskeski will be paid \$11 an hour. (See TRUSTEE, Page 2A)

Officials circle wagons over development

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Local officials are circling the wagons to ensure that interests on the bluffs don't steal away what is being called the largest commercial development in county history — and the resultant property taxes.

Sources have said the city of Edwardsville has requested the Madison County Board to redraw the boundary between Chouteau and Edwardsville townships so that the entire proposed Gateway Commerce Center, to be located just north of Interstate 270 in a 2,700-acre area currently in both townships, would be entirely in Edwardsville Township.

Others have said the city of Edwardsville is interested in annexing the property.

"We think it would be wrong for interests on the bluffs to come down here and take away this promising new development," said Steve Balen, superintendent of the Granite City School District. "They don't seem to be nearly as interested in taking away our watershed or environmental problems."

Balen is spearheading an effort to get leaders together from Granite City, Pontoon Beach, Chouteau and Nameoki townships to oppose any attempt by bluff interests to annex the development.

The school district and the Mitchell Fire Protection District are among the nine governmental entities that have agreed to abate property taxes for up to five years to encourage the Gateway Commerce Center development.

"Since the majority of this property lies within the school district's boundaries, we feel that the property should also remain within the boundaries of one of the municipalities or townships located within the school district," Balen wrote in a March 21 letter to Granite City Mayor Ron Selph, Pontoon Beach Mayor Glen Wilson, Chouteau Township Supervisor Pat Polley and Nameoki Township Supervisor Ken Davis.

Balen said Tuesday that a meeting between the governmental leaders will be held next Wednesday at Granite City High School.

"The (school) board feels that any division on the part of our three communities might allow Edwardsville to be successful in their attempts to annex the property,"

Balen said. "The board feels it is essential that we keep a close watch on this and be prepared to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure that this development remains within our communities."

Polley, who also represents the area on the Madison County Board, said she will attend the meeting.

"I wish everyone would put aside their own interests and work for the benefit of everyone in the area," Polley said.

Balen said he would be willing to participate in any effort to block annexation by Edwardsville interests.

"All of this annexation between cities in our communities is bad enough," Davis said. "But the next thing you know, they'll be trying to change the school district boundaries and that's just not morally right."

Davis agreed with Balen that bluff interests have been unwilling to cooperate in the recent past in efforts to remedy watershed problems.

Dan Brown, director of economic development for the city of Granite City, said he will also participate in the local effort.

The tiny area known as Mitchell has also thrown its hat in the ring. Officials there, led by Fire Chief Ed Lee, have begun an effort to incorporate as a village. Several committees have been established to investigate the possibility of incorporation, with a goal of a referendum on the November ballot.

Filing papers for incorporation could block other municipalities from annexing the territory.

News in review

News in review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is designed for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record/Journals.

Area warned on transit plan

At least one Madison County Board representative from the Tri-Cities area believes this area could be slighted on future transportation projects.

"It's no secret that economic and residential development follows transportation," said Don Garrett, D-Madison. "Garrett is encouraging area residents to show up in force at the next meeting of the Madison County Long Range Transportation Planning Committee, Monday at 8 p.m. at the Collinsville Holiday Inn."

"The plan, which will allocate millions of future transportation dollars throughout Madison County, will have a profound impact on the Tri-City community," Garrett said. "Depending on the priorities selected, that impact will be positive or negative."

Garrett said he is "less than satisfied" that the plan's priorities will benefit the Tri-Cities area "as I think it should."

"Other areas, such as Edwardsville/Glen Carbon and Highways 157 and 159 seem to be mentioned more frequently," Garrett said. "The Tri-Cities area, including Pontoon Beach, Mitchell and Highway 3 — which has long been the 'breadbasket' of Madison County — cannot afford to watch as millions of transportation dollars are allocated elsewhere without insisting on its fair share."

Schools not baby-sitting

School officials in Granite City are concerned with the increasing number of parents utilizing schools as an after-school baby-sitting service.

In response, the school district is cracking down on parents who habitually leave their children at school long after dismissal.

"It's not really a major problem," said Superintendent Steve Balen. "But it's enough of a problem that something needs to be done."

School officials will continue to attempt to contact persons listed on the emergency card. But if contact cannot be made within 15 minutes, police will be called to transport the students to an after-school latchkey program at Frohardt Elementary School and parents will be billed for services. A note will be left on the front door of the home school informing the parents where their child has been taken.

Parents will also receive a written warning after a first offense. School officials will contact the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services to report "neglect" on a second offense.

Candidate wants run-off

Imagine Jerry Jackson's disappointment Tuesday when the 5th Ward alderman candidate discovered that his wife didn't vote for him.

But the slight was not a reflection of his wife's opinion of him. It was the result of confusion at the polls.

Jackson and his wife live in Granite City Township precinct 6, located in the 5th Ward, and vote at the Granite City Township Hall. Those who live on the other side of the street from the Jacksons are in precinct 5, located in the 3rd Ward. They also vote at the township hall.

Due to what County Clerk Debbie Saltich termed a coding error, Jackson's wife was mistakenly given a 3rd Ward ballot.

While Jackson said others residing in his block may have been given the wrong ballot, Saltich said the error was an exception and would not have an effect on the election's outcome.

Agency founder retires

After 47 years of service to Catholic Charities of Granite City, Mary Alice Beardslee is retiring May 1.

The Illinois Department of Children and Family Services recently recognized Beardslee with a special plaque for her efforts in placing children with special needs in homes, and the Madison County Board recently recognized her for dedicated work.

Catholic Charities works with DCFPS on an ongoing basis to find foster homes for children with special problems who might otherwise remain in residential institutions.

6 charged with prostitution

Six women were charged with prostitution last week for allegedly offering sexual favors in exchange for money in Granite City.

Barbara D. Wright, 33, of Washington, Ill.; Hazel M. Darragh, 43, of the 1700 block of Delmar Avenue; Sandra A. Ritz, 37, of St. Louis; Martha A. Fines, 39, of the 2100 block of State Street; Elizabeth L. Stevenson, 34, of the 2600 block of Lincoln Avenue; and Tina M. Fitzgerald, 30, of the 2500 block of West 24th Street; were all charged with prostitution last week for allegedly offering sexual favors to police officers in exchange for cash.

Township meeting set

Venice Township will hold a meeting at 6 p.m. Monday, April 21, at the Venice Township Office, 910 Madison Avenue, Madison.

The meeting is to provide an opportunity for the citizens of Venice Township to participate in the discussion of eligible projects for the 1997 Commu-

ty Development Funding Round.

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Linda Staten, Cassie Hays and Stephanie Riskovsky examine the electronics which make computers work in Larry Wesels' class.

School project wins \$8,000 grant

The Toshiba America Foundation has awarded Larry Wesels, science and technology teacher at Grigsby Middle School, an \$8,000 grant for the implementation of his project, "The Academics of Physics, Science, Math and Technology."

J. Ed Henderson, Toshiba America Medical Systems area services manager, said:

"Toshiba is a technology company and we like nothing better than to see these students being taught technology. Toshiba's motto is, 'In touch with tomorrow.' Our desire is to bring the technology of tomorrow to the

students of Grigsby Middle School."

The grant funds will be used to purchase three eight-student instruction workbenches, plus variable power supply modules, wiring and sockets. In Wesels' project, all seventh and eighth grade students at Grigsby will participate in hands-on activities that integrate the disciplines.

Students will learn about today's complicated new technologies such as computers, robots, surgical techniques, medicine, composites, microelectronics, biotechnology and telecommunications.

SIUE tuition increase may be cut

SIUE students may not have to shell out as much money if the university's Board of Trustees lessens planned tuition rate hikes.

The original plan, adopted by the board last April, calls for annual tuition increases of 4.7 percent beginning in fall 1997 at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

However, a university task force recommending tuition be increased by 3.5 percent per year beginning fall 1998, Trustees could make the decision at their June meeting.

This fall, tuition will be \$2,019. The current plan calls for the rate to rise to \$2,141, \$2,214 and \$2,318 in subsequent years.

"There is more interest now in in-depth debate on where we ought to be positioning ourselves on the issue of affordability. This would not be a revenue loss but not a realization of revenue," said University President Ted Sanders.

Sanders held a teleconference with the media Monday from the Carbondale campus. He plans to explain the task force's recommendations at Thursday's board meeting at SIUE.

Although the board approved the 4.7 percent plan last spring, members must vote on actual increases each year and are not bound to rates contained in the plan, Sanders said.

The board also is considering increases in several student fees on both the Edwardsville and Carbondale campuses, some of which were raised last April and go into effect this summer.

Civil War encampment set at college

McKendree College in Lebanon will be the site of a Civil War encampment this week.

The encampment will be held Friday through Sunday. It will include a parade and Civil War skirmish.

Among the fee increases under consideration at SIUE are: 1997 summer session athletic fees, from \$13 to \$13.50; University Center fee from \$34 to \$35.50 per semester effective summer 1998; and the student welfare and activity fee, \$53.50 to \$55.90 per semester beginning summer 1998.

Other proposed fee hikes are student fitness center fee, from \$42.75 to \$44.60 effective summer 1998; student to student grant fee, \$2.50 to \$2.75 per semester.

The board also is considering raising housing rates 5 percent at Tower Lake Apartments, group housing and single student residences and raising rates at Residence Hall by 3 percent.

The proposed fee increases are on Thursday's meeting agenda, Sanders said he will ask the board to continue discussing increases of fees and tuition at the May meeting then vote on the proposals at the June meeting.

Sanders said the board needs to "set recommendations that position SIUE right for the future, that does keep the university affordable and accessible. The way to do it so as to enhance our marketability. At Carbondale, it is no secret we need to improve our (recruiting) performance."

Sanders said the state legislature also may determine how much tuition can be raised, mentioning a bill sponsored by state Rep. Steve Davis of Bethalto that would limit such increases to 5 percent annually or at the rate of inflation, whichever is less.

— From The Telegraph

THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED
Attorney At Law

Sometimes a person will fall behind in paying a bill, and the creditor will begin contacting him. People in this situation have indicated that some creditors call them during the day, at night, and at work. The question arises as to what a debtor can do to make arrangements to pay this bill.

Many people in this situation attempt to make arrangements to pay the delinquent payments on a monthly basis. It is important to note that a creditor is not obligated to accept such an arrangement. Often the consumer will indicate that he offered to pay \$25 or \$50 per month toward the payment of the bill. If the creditor was refused, the creditor does not have to accept such an offer.

In fact, most loan agreements provide for acceleration of the balance owed if the borrower falls behind. In other words, if a debtor becomes delinquent on a loan, the entire balance can be demanded.

What options are available to a debtor in this situation? One option is to borrow the money elsewhere and pay off the balance owed. This is often impossible, however, due to the poor credit rating of the individual. Another option is to contact the creditor and work out a satisfactory payment schedule.

Sometimes the delinquent consumer will indicate that the creditor agreed to accept a specified monthly payment toward the balance and then would up filing suit anyway. Generally speaking, the creditor is not bound by such an informal agreement to pay the arrearage.

A further option for the debtor is bankruptcy. If a Chapter 7 bankruptcy is pursued, the creditor cannot collect the debt regarding payment of the bill. Furthermore, it will prevent the lender from filing suit against the borrower for the balance. Bankruptcy also stops all lawsuits in progress. If the debtor is not an unsecured loan, usually a Chapter 7 bankruptcy will discharge the entire obligation. The purpose of a straight bankruptcy is to give the debtor a "fresh start," and this certainly is a viable option for a person who falls behind in paying his bills.

A final option for the debtor is a Chapter 13 bankruptcy. This is also known as a wage earner plan. It allows the delinquent person to make his payments to the creditor in installments on this basis pursuant to a plan through the bankruptcy court. A Chapter 13 bankruptcy will also prevent the creditor from collecting the debt regarding payment of the bill.

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School bids All-weather

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City High all-weather running track surfaces in tires, the school Tuesday night.

"I like the idea of it funded," said Parker.

An all-weather \$150,000, Parker said. The district is going to pay for the state of Ill. with money available before 7 p.m. Monday night.

In addition, Mayor Balen said, environmental fund.

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By Bob Slate
Staff writer

An 80-year-old day night in Mitchell.

Witnesses told retired electrical before 7 p.m. Monday west bound lane Lane, ran into a

Gillis, who was pronounced dead.

Gillis's daughter and Jamie, are c

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School board seeks bids on new track

All-weather track could be ready next year

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Granite City High School may have an all-weather running track as soon as next year. After members inspected three samples of track surfaces made from recycled automobile tires, the school board voted unanimously Tuesday night to seek bids on the project.

"I like the idea, especially if we can get half of it funded," said school board President Jeff Parker.

An all-weather track would cost around \$150,000, Parker said.

The district is seeking state and county grants to pay for up to half of the project. The state of Illinois has a tire recycling fund with money available for all-weather tracks made from recycled tires. Superintendent Steve Balen said.

In addition, Madison County has environmental funds available for such

projects, Balen said.

"We hope to raise the other \$75,000 from other sources," Balen said.

One possible source of those funds is unused contingency money from the high school renovation project, although school officials say it is too early yet to know if there will be any left.

If the state and county grants are approved, the district could consider soliciting donations for the remaining \$75,000, Balen said.

"Any time we can improve our property, I think we should do it," Parker said. "I truly believe in extracurricular activities."

Parker said he would like to see the track open for public use.

The high school's existing track is a quarter-mile cinder track around the high school football field. No high school track meets are held there because of the poor condition of the facility.



Ron Motil, president of the Granite City Park District Board of Commissioners, holds an artist's rendering of the new walks and improved flower beds to be put in at the entrance to the park at 27th and Delmar. The location of the entrance as it can be seen behind him.

Man dies in accident

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

An 80-year-old Edwardsville man died in a one-car crash Monday night in Mitchell.

Witnesses told Illinois State Police that Leonard Gillis, a retired electrician, was driving slowly and erratically just before 7 p.m. Monday when his 1986 Toyota pickup truck left the west bound lane of East Chain of Rocks Road, crossed Paradise Lane, ran into a ditch and overturned.

Gillis, who resided in the 5300 block of Chain of Rocks Road, was pronounced dead at the scene at 7:55 p.m.

Gillis' daughter, Linda Pagano and her two children, Michael and Jamie, are Granite City residents.

Visitation and services will be held Friday at Werner Chapel.

An obituary appears on Page 9A.

\$500 prize in poetry contest

Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum is offering a grand prize of \$500 in its new "Award of Poetic Excellence" poetry contest.

Thirty-four other cash awards are also being offered. The contest is free to enter and open to everyone. Anthology purchase may be required to ensure publication, but is not required to enter or win the contest.

Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or less, on any subject, in any poetic style. The contest closes March 31, but poets are encouraged to submit their work as soon as possible.

Poems should be sent to Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum Inc., Dept. CT, 609 Main St., P.O. Box 193, Sistersville, WV 26175-0193.

'Walk of Memories' Park offering patrons a permanent legacy

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

The Granite City Park District is offering an opportunity to be remembered in Wilson Park.

Through a project titled "Walk of Memories," it is selling red concrete engraveable bricks to people, organizations, businesses and other entities interested in having their names and special dates installed in the park along a 200-foot sidewalk that will be constructed this fall.

The bricks, which cost \$75 each, are being sold at the Granite City Park District office to raise money for renovation at the Delmar entrance to the park, an area

"If we could sell 600 or 700 bricks, that would just about pay for the project. We're looking at an estimate of \$40,000 to \$50,000 to have asphalt removed and replaced with the concrete sidewalk and bricks."

— David Polivick

known as the Tulip Garden, Director David Polivick said.

The project involves construction of a concrete walkway around the Tulip Garden and flag poles. The bricks will be installed as a border beside the walkway after its construction.

"If we could sell 600 or 700 bricks, that would just about pay for the project," Polivick said. "We're looking at an estimate of \$40,000 to \$50,000 to have asphalt removed and replaced with the concrete sidewalk and bricks."

Polivick said the idea for the project came from Ronald Motil, president of the Granite City Park District Board of Commissioners, who was in Gettysburg in a park and saw engraved bricks there.

"The engraved bricks will accomplish two things," Polivick said, "beautifying the park and community involvement."

The bricks are engraved with black epoxy, he said. About 12 of them have already sold.

Wilson Park, which attracts thousands of people weekly, holds great meaning to the population of Granite City.

"A lot of people have memories of their childhood and teenage years (in the park), and they hold it very dear," he said. "If they can be a part of this park and know (their memory) will be here for a long time to come, people appreciate that."

The design of the walkway currently is being drawn by a landscape architect, Polivick said. When it's complete, the park district will issue bids.

"We're hoping that we can sell enough bricks to complete the project by September," he said.

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CAROL'S COMMENTS

Depressing news about clouds

Barry, my son-in-law, is one of those odd-ball people who pops out of bed, bright-eyed and bushy-tailed and sings in the shower. You know the drill.

He enjoys trying to bait me into breakfast conversation, evidence to me that he has an unfortunate sadistic streak because he knows quite well that I'm not prepared to join the human race until I've had at least a couple of cups of coffee and a cigarette — and a shower and the morning paper.

Prepping myself for the day involves the newspaper and it can set the mood for the next 14 or 15 hours. Last Thursday morning was had enough that I seriously considered secession from the aforementioned human race and I'm not taking into consideration any of the reports on warfare, murder and general mayhem.

First, the sports page, color picture of a beaming Florida Marlins outfielder Gary Sheffield, who had just signed a contract making him the richest player in baseball. The deal is a \$61 million, six-year extension (with an option year that could bring the loot to \$72 million) and makes Sheffield a happy camper, indeed. The 28-year-old proclaimed himself "spaced out" (wouldn't we all be?) and credited his "new maturity" with the plum agreement.

Adding insult to injury, a box sidebar lists 11 baseball players, including Gary, whose average annual paychecks range upwards from \$7 million, and those figures don't include income from potential incentive bonuses. C'mon, these men are baseball players, entertainers, if you will. Does anyone kid themselves that the All-American game is still a sport?

Baby, this is bottom line Big Business.

From sports to front page, lower right, and again, baseball-related. I have quotes from new St. Louis mayor, Clarence Harmon, and a spokesman for the city's Aldermanic Board on the possibility of public financing for a new stadium for the Cardinals. Neither man went out on a limb on the question, but they didn't rule it out.

Waifing, I believe is the term. The partnership that now owns the Cards recently suggested the city might consider tax relief or "some other help" to build a replacement for Busch Stadium. They'd even accept a little help from the taxpayers to maintain the existing stadium.

Military taking action on sexual assaults

(The following was written by Jesse Brown, secretary of Veterans Affairs.)

No one who has heard or read about incidents of sexual assault against women in the military can feel anything but deep regret and sorrow, perhaps anger, that such an incident could have occurred to someone while in service to our country. It is wrong for any woman to undergo such a devastating experience. But in the military, where trust and camaraderie are such an integral part of military life, a profound sense of betrayal compounds the already devastating effects sexual trauma can have on a person's physical and emotional health.

Many women veterans have come to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for counseling and treatment for the aftereffects of sexual trauma. But we know that many more have never discussed the trauma they have experienced, and it is uncomfortable talking about their experience and even wonder if they can. This reaction to sexual trauma is something that we in VA are trying to help with by reaching out to women veterans to let them know that there is help available.

VA has a cadre of dedicated, compassionate professionals who can provide confidential priority counseling and treatment for the victims of sexual assault, battery or harassment while on active duty. Since 1992, when legislation authorized VA to provide sexual trauma counseling, more than 15,000 women veterans have been treated in Vet Centers and medical centers.

To reach us, women veterans can call our national toll-free telephone number — 1 (800) 827-1000 — or they can reach a women veterans' coordinator at a VA regional office who can give them information on VA programs and assist in referring them to a VA medical center, Vet Center or community program.

I recently sent letters to some 400,000 women veterans to tell them about the programs and services available to them — special programs targeted to meet their unique health-care needs, including counseling and treatment for sexual trauma.

It is VA's goal to ensure that we are meeting the health-care needs of women veterans — now numbering 1.2 million. And it also is our goal to make them aware of the benefits they have earned and deserve. VA will continue to be there for these women when they leave military service, and we will continue to reach out to those who need our help.



Carol Clarkin

Of course, the city and the state of Missouri have already committed almost \$800 million in debt, interest, and construction to the Trans World Dome (Rams) and assistance to the Kiel Center complex for the Blues. Which brings us to an editorial page letter from a Creve Coeur lady, upbraiding the city and county powers-that-be over the proposed closing of Regional Medical Center. She cited a background in the medical profession with "extensive experience in emergency room and intensive care unit work," pointed out that she was not indigent, black, a city resident, or in need of free medical care and said she was still outraged at the possible closing of the facility.

It was one of the most sensible and eloquent letters I've read in that column in a long time, and bearing in mind the sports-related stories, on the money, which she cited by saying, "The money to save Regional must be forthcoming. Unless, of course, something more important comes along, like the need for another stadium."

Finally, the entertainment section, with an interview Garry Wills, Pulitzer Prize-winning author, on the subject of his recently published book, "John Wayne's America." The cherry-and-whipped-cream topping of a depressing morning's reading. In fairness, the book apparently does deal with Wayne's successful avoidance of military service during World War II and his role in influencing politics, but I don't think I'll waste any time reading it. For one thing I've never been a John Wayne fan. For another, Wills apparently considers Wayne as an icon, a mythic character, and, as such, important to American culture, whatever that may be.

He lost me completely when he compared the Duke, in this role, to Joan of Arc, El Cid, and King Arthur, a mythic character, described the mediocre actor as "...in that line of succession, the 20th century's most powerful representative of it."

Count me out on that one, Pilgrim.

SUGGESTED NEXT TARGET FOR THE LINCOLN TOMB VANDAL:



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Davis working on promises

TO THE EDITOR:

In my campaign, I made a number of promises. These promises were made as part of my platform, the "Working Families' Bill of Rights." The legislation proposed in this package has made some encouraging progress, and this progress is a positive step for working families in Illinois.

During the past few weeks, I have advanced five pieces of legislation that cover three of the most promising initiatives proposed in my "Bill of Rights." The first measure I passed was a tuition cap to help those working parents who have college-bound children. This measure recently passed the House Executive Committee and has moved to the House floor.

A week later, I passed a three-part tax relief measure. One bill offers a tax credit for child care, and another offers a tax credit for home health care. The third measure doubles the standard exemption for dependent children. All three of these tax relief initiatives passed the House Revenue Committee and now await a vote by the full House.

That same week, I passed legislation known in Springfield as the "Buy American/Buy Illinois" bill. This bill will force the State of Illinois to choose Illinois-made and American-made products over those made in other states and other countries when the cost and quality of the products are comparable. The House Labor and Commerce Committee approved the legislation and it also advanced to the House floor.

While campaign promises are often made and broken, I want you to know that I have worked to keep my promises. While my legislation awaits a hearing on the House floor, I am going to continue working diligently in Springfield to make sure these bills are passed and signed by the Governor.

Also, I promise to continue to be accessible to you. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns regarding state issues, please call either of my district offices at 618-251-4934 or 618-876-1565. I look forward to hearing your input.

STEVE DAVIS
State Representative
District 111

Take a stand against alcohol

TO THE EDITOR:

There are so many things that demand our attention each day. Subtle issues, like

the need for pro-active policies about alcohol, seem much easier to put off than many other pressures. It's easy for parents to avoid talking to youth about alcohol. It's easy for servers to skip checking an I.D. It's easy for community members to let someone else worry about alcohol advertising that appeals to youth. It's easy for many of us to forget the many ways that alcohol can injure from fetal alcohol syndrome to D.U.I. crashes to alcoholism and liver cirrhosis.

Over time, we've come to realize that subtle doesn't mean harmless. Alcohol-related health problems, violence, family problems and failures in schools and workplaces hurt millions of people every day. It's possible to recover from many of these problems, but it's not easy. It is much easier to prevent alcohol problems. Parents who take a firm stand against alcohol use by their children are preventing trouble. Schools with prevention and consistently enforced policies against alcohol use are preventing trouble. Communities that take action to make alcohol less available to youth are preventing trouble.

Unfortunately, people often find it easier to ignore alcohol problems than to prevent them. That's why observing Alcohol Awareness Month each April is so important. For at least one month we all need to take some time to participate in alcohol policy considerations in our families and communities. What we learn in April can help motivate us to be involved year-round.

Based on the high rate of alcohol-related injury, disease, violence and death, someone you know will probably be hurt by alcohol, or by someone acting under its influence. Your attention to Alcohol Awareness Month won't guarantee your safety, but it will raise the chances that you and your family won't be next on the list of victims. For that extra edge of safety, and for all that you can do to help others become aware, please take advantage of Alcohol Awareness Month.

Learn the facts. Take a stand. Call the Illinois Drug Education Alliance at (708) 428-1766 or your regional InTouch prevention office at 397-8930 and Chestnut Health Systems at 288-3546. Prevent alcohol problems before they start.

JEAN SCHRAM
Director of Prevention

Shiloh lets neighbors down

TO THE EDITOR:

Over the past few months, several prominent individuals from our community have expressed concern over the potential for airport encroachment and the negative effect it would have on the future of

Scott AFB. These individuals include John Baricic, St. Clair County Board chairman, retired Air Force general Jack Griffith, authority on Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) commission studies, and Don Bennett, former director of Lambert Field in St. Louis, along with Ron Capek and Col (Ret) Russ Rinkin, members of the Leadership Council of Southwestern Illinois.

Baricic has sponsored a St. Clair County initiative which will result in a study by Woolpert Consultants to develop proposed zoning criteria to be used by St. Clair County, Belleville, O'Fallon, Lebanon, Mascoutah, and Shiloh to control development in the Mid-America Airport and Scott AFB environs. Currently, these communities are in the process of authorizing funds to help defray the cost of the study which will be 80 percent funded by the state.

Ironically, Shiloh, the community which prides itself as Scott AFB's closest neighbor, has allowed an annexation which slaps the concept of good neighborliness directly in the face. At a recent council meeting, Shiloh approved a land use proposal which the St. Clair County zoning board had disapproved earlier. The proposal turned down by the county asked for permission to replace two mobile homes, install one additional mobile home, and rezone the property to allow placement of additional mobile homes in the future. This request was turned down by the county zoning board because it violated the county's 0-3 overlay zone restriction.

tions which were implemented to maintain the public welfare and safety in the identified airport protection zone.

Interestingly, the property owner asking for the variance then applied for annexation to O'Fallon after being denied by the county. O'Fallon also turned down the request for additional trailers and the request for mobile home (MH) zoning, offering instead an agreement to allow replacement of existing trailers and the promise to reconsider additional mobile homes following the conclusions of the county zoning study (by Woolpert). Not satisfied with these answers from O'Fallon, the petitioner then asked Shiloh for permission to annex. The request was approved post haste, plus two water taps were thrown in for free!

The questions one must ask are simple. Is Shiloh acting responsibly? Is Shiloh being a good neighbor to Scott AFB? The answers are obvious. I'm surprised and disappointed that the citizens of Shiloh remain content to allow Mayor Norm Acker and the village board to make these decisions without protest. Personally, I wouldn't want it on my head that my community blatantly ignored attempts to limit future encroachment on land surrounding Scott AFB and Mid-America Airport. Existing encroachment, (most of which is in Shiloh), contributed to a rating of "yellow" (marginal) in the last BRAC study. More encroachment only further jeopardizes Scott AFB's future. It's past time for Shiloh to become a team player!

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Shiloh

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STAR WARS

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Rick Carter of Glen Carbon holds Chewbacca, one of the pieces in his 'Star Wars' collection.



At top, left, C-3PO, left, and R2-D2 are much-loved by 'Star Wars' fans. At top, right, an original cork board featuring the rebel forces of the Empire. Pictured clockwise from bottom left are Luke Skywalker, Princess Leia Organa, Chewbacca, C-3PO, Han Solo and R2-D2. Above, 'Star Wars' memorabilia can be found on almost anything. Pictured here on collector's series drinking glasses are three characters from the trilogy.

At a time not so long ago, in a town not so far away, a young college student began his quest to obtain the forces of both good and evil, which remain in a never-ending battle to save the Empire.

To say that Rick Carter, a 21-year-old Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville student, is a fan of space adventure is an understatement. One look into his bedroom at his Glen Carbon home tells you that he is a man possessed.

Possessed with the space fantasy that has won the hearts (and money) of many, the saga known as "Star Wars."

With the recent re-release of the trilogy ("Star Wars," "Empire Strikes Back" and "Return of the Jedi"), first brought to life on the big screen in 1977, "Star Wars" has not only broken every box office sales record, it has captured a whole new generation of fans.

Being just a year old when the first movie premiered, Carter said he grew up with toys based on the famous stories.

"But like most kids, I played hard with them and smashed them up and got rid of them all," he said. "Then, in 1990, I got into it again and so I had to go out and buy it all over again."

Carter's collection contains just about everything imaginable. If it is "Star Wars" related, chances are he has it.

While many of his pieces, still contained in the original boxes, came from yard sales and thrift stores, an even greater portion of it has come from professional antique collectors from across the country.

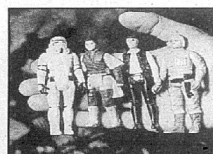
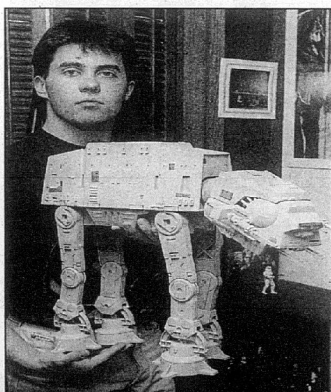
His collection contains hundreds of action figures like the heroic Luke Skywalker, Captain Han Solo and Darth Vader and numerous spaceships and vehicles like the Imperial Army's AT-AT Walker, the Millennium Falcon and a Twin Pod Cloud Car.

Also prized are mugs, glasses, movie posters, books, games, puzzles, watches, cards, coins, film cells and life-sized weapons, just to name a few.

However, his most prized possession is a one-of-a-kind original movie poster signed by the entire cast of "Star Wars." Probably worth nearly \$4,000 today, for Carter it has no price tag.

While Carter said he doesn't let his obsession with the movies control his life, it stills plays a big part.

His jet black car tells you that much. The license plates read: Vader 77.



At far left, Carter holds an original Imperial Army's AT-AT Walker now worth nearly \$200. At left, action figures Snaggletooth and Ben Obi-Wan Kenobi. Above, original action figures in mint condition, from left, an Imperial Storm Trooper, Princess Leia Organa, Han Solo and Luke Skywalker.

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KTVI (7)	Sliders (In Stereo) (R)	Millennium: Weeds (R)	Hollywood Extra (R)	News (R)	Red TV (R)	Tales-Crypt (R)	Tales-Crypt (R)	Video (R)	Entertain (R)			
KMOV (9)	JAG (In Stereo) (R)	Ocean's Mission (R)	Home Brides (In Stereo) (R)	News (R)	Master's (R)	Law (R)	Defending (R)	Newlywed (R)	Married (R)			
KSDK (10)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)	News (R)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)	Unsub (In Stereo) (R)			
KNLG (2)	Home on the Range (R)	Boonza (R)	Boonza (R)	News (R)	Larry Rice (R)	Ministry (R)	Ministry (R)	Larry Rice (R)	Ministry (R)			
KDNL (1)	Fam. Mat. World (R)	Sabrina (R)	20/20 (R)	News (R)	Nightline (R)	Star Trek: Deep Space 9 (R)	Ricki Lake (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KETC (3)	Week. WK. World (R)	Sci. Frontiers (R)	Man Ray Prognost (R)	News (R)	News (R)	Star Trek: Deep Space 9 (R)	Ricki Lake (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KPLR (11)	Major League Baseball (R)	Major League Baseball (R)	Major League Baseball (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
CABLE STATIONS												
SC (7)	Talk (R)	Journal (R)	Journal (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)			
CNN (2)	Prime News (R)	Larry King Live (R)	World Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
NICK (3)	Sports Illustrated (R)	Lowell (R)	World Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
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TBS (3)	Video (R)	Video (R)	Video (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
TWC (2)	Forecast (R)	Forecast (R)	Forecast (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
WGN (12)	Class Action (R)	Dramatic Crime (R)	Major News (In Stereo) (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
WHSN (10)	Body by Jake (R)	Galleries of Dots (R)	Body by Jake (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
AMC (28)	The Private War of Major Benson (R)	Major Benson (R)	Major Benson (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
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HBO (14)	14-11:30: The Untouchables (R)	14-11:30: The Untouchables (R)	14-11:30: The Untouchables (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
SHOW (15)	Pravda: Dead and Loving It (R)	Pravda: Dead and Loving It (R)	Pravda: Dead and Loving It (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
TMC (17)	6:30: "Zeny and Me" (R)	6:30: "Zeny and Me" (R)	6:30: "Zeny and Me" (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
DISN (16)	Rescuers (R)	Rescuers (R)	Rescuers (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			

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SCIFI (95)	Heilser: A Hero's End (R)	Heilser: A Hero's End (R)	Heilser: A Hero's End (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
HIST (9)	Monuments to Freedom: War and Remembrance (R)	Monuments to Freedom: War and Remembrance (R)	Monuments to Freedom: War and Remembrance (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
PREMIUM STATIONS												
HBO (14)	14-11:30: The Untouchables (R)	14-11:30: The Untouchables (R)	14-11:30: The Untouchables (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
SHOW (15)	Pravda: Dead and Loving It (R)	Pravda: Dead and Loving It (R)	Pravda: Dead and Loving It (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
TMC (17)	6:30: "Zeny and Me" (R)	6:30: "Zeny and Me" (R)	6:30: "Zeny and Me" (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
DISN (16)	Rescuers (R)	Rescuers (R)	Rescuers (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			

SATURDAY AFTERNOON APRIL 12, 1997												
1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30	6:00	6:30	
BROADCAST STATIONS												
KTVI (7)	Today (R)	Today (R)	Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KMOV (9)	Today (R)	Today (R)	Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KSDK (10)	Today (R)	Today (R)	Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KNLG (2)	Today (R)	Today (R)	Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KDNL (1)	Today (R)	Today (R)	Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KETC (3)	Today (R)	Today (R)	Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
KPLR (11)	Today (R)	Today (R)	Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
CABLE STATIONS												
SC (7)	Scoreboard Central (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)	Scoreboard Central (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
CNN (2)	Prime News (R)	Larry King Live (R)	World Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
NICK (3)	Sports Illustrated (R)	Lowell (R)	World Today (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
TNT (2)	NBA Basketball (R)	Charlotte Hornets at Detroit Pistons (R)	NBA Basketball (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
USA (2)	Pacific Blue (In Stereo) (R)	PGA Golf: The Masters - Second Round (R)	PGA Golf: The Masters - Second Round (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
ESPN (3)	60-30 NHL Hockey: Teams to Be Announced (LW) (R)	Baseball (R)	SportsCenter (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
DISC (2)	Wild Discovery: Whales (R)	Wonder (R)	Fangal (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
TBS (3)	Video (R)	Video (R)	Video (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
TWC (2)	Forecast (R)	Forecast (R)	Forecast (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
WGN (12)	Class Action (R)	Dramatic Crime (R)	Major News (In Stereo) (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
WHSN (10)	Body by Jake (R)	Galleries of Dots (R)	Body by Jake (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
AMC (28)	The Private War of Major Benson (R)	Major Benson (R)	Major Benson (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
TNN (35)	Auto Racing: NASCAR Winston Cup - Interstate Batteries (R)	Auto Racing: NASCAR Winston Cup - Interstate Batteries (R)	Auto Racing: NASCAR Winston Cup - Interstate Batteries (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
MTV (8)	Music Videos (In Stereo) (R)	Music Videos (In Stereo) (R)	Music Videos (In Stereo) (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
LIFE (3)	Wire (R)	A Home of Our Own (R)	A Home of Our Own (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
HN (3)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			
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DISN (16)	Rescuers (R)	Rescuers (R)	Rescuers (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)	News (R)			

SATURDAY EVENING APR

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WEEKDAY MORNING												
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	12:00	12:30
BROADCAST STATIONS												
KNSD	(12)	KNSD	News	Good Morning America	Geraldo Rivera	Gooden Elliott	Maurty	News	Hoppy D			
KMOV	(2)	KMOV	News	This Morning	Reggie & Kathie	Model Williams	Price is Right	News	Boud B.			
KSDK	(1)	KSDK	Today	Varied	Crook & Chase	Sally	Suntan Beach	News				
KNLN	(2)	KNLN	Menace	Woody	Varied	Shape Up	McCoy	Varied Programs	Robison	Life-Word	Larry Rice	
KNSD	(1)	KNSD	Good Morning America	Carol & Marlyn: Friends	Barney	Station	Griffith	Love Lady	Judge Judy	All My Children		
KETC	(1)	KETC	Body Ecst	Arthur	Sesame Street	Mr Rogers	Couch	Lamb Chop	Sesame Street	Varied		
KFLR	(1)	KFLR	Varied	Rider	Masc	Bananas	Medicine Woman	In the Heat of the Night	Option	Maurice O'Boyle		
CABLE												
CNN	(3)	CNN	3	Source Box	Money	Wheel	-	Chen & Co	Options	Power Lunch		
CNN	(3)	CNN	3	Early Edition/CNN	Morning News	Rupert	Muppets	Alingra	Gulbah	NewDay	Burden	CNN Today
NICK	(3)	NICK	3	Looney Tunes	Rugrats	Busy World	Fluff	Alingra	Gulbah	Newsday	BlueClue	Busy World / Beaver
NICK	(3)	NICK	3	Scorpy Doo Doo	Pinatlones	Pinatlones	Fluff	Alingra	Gulbah	Chips	Thander	Paradise
ESPN	(3)	ESPN	3	Early Edition/CNN	Source Box	Money	Wheel	SportsCenter	For Hire	USA	Varied Programs	
ESPN	(3)	ESPN	3	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	Varied Programs	
DISC	(3)	DISC	3	Prod Prog	Prod Prog	Assignment Discovery	Home Matters	Housematters	Griffith	Shat	Interior	Home Matters
TBS	(3)	TBS	3	Brady	Bewitched	Life House	J's Co.	Griffith	Shat	Mallock	Forecast	Forecast
TBS	(3)	TBS	3	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
WGN	(3)	WGN	3	BugsDaff	Animanials	Woody	Bewitched	Griffith	Empt Hest	In the Heat of the Nt	Geraldo Rivera	News
WGNL	(3)	WGNL	3	Unlurte	Varied Programs							
AMC	(3)	AMC	3	Movie	Varied Programs							
THN	(3)	THN	3	Off Air	Video/Morning		Varied	Dated	5	Movie	Varied Programs	
MTV	(3)	MTV	3	Video	Music Videos			Single's	Off Air	Movie	Varied Programs	
MTV	(3)	MTV	3	Video	Music Videos			Dated	5	Movie	Varied Programs	
LIFE	(3)	LIFE	3	Baby	KidsDays	Waters	Handmade	Gourmet	News	Our Name	News	Ingreder
LIFE	(3)	LIFE	3	News	News	News	News	News	News	Our Name	News	News
FAM	(3)	FAM	3	Parter Dowing	Varied	8	700 Club	News	News	FIT TV	Living 911	News & Family
A&E	(3)	A&E	3	Varied Programs								
A&E	(3)	A&E	3	Gigantor	In Space	Last In Space	Voyage to Bottom of Sea	Dark Show	Dark Show	Quincy	Believe & Not	Mysteries / Monsters
JUST	(3)	JUST	3	Classroom	Custom Showcases							
PREMIUM STATIONS												
HBO	(1)	HBO	1	Movie	Varied Programs							
SHOW	(1)	SHOW	1	Movie	Varied Programs							
SHOW	(1)	SHOW	1	Movie	Varied Programs							
DISN	(1)	DISN	1	ChipDads	Marsia	Pooh	Mickey	Worldand	Pool Contr.	Gum-Bum	Care Bears	My Little Mermaid
DISN	(1)	DISN	1	ChipDads	Marsia	Pooh	Mickey	Worldand	Pool Contr.	Gum-Bum	Care Bears	My Little Mermaid

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WEEKDAY LATE NIGHT													
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BROADCAST STATIONS													
KTVI (3)	News	Buzz	Hard Copy	Hollywood	Universe	LAPD	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Business	News	News	Varied	Varied
KMOV (4)	Montel Williams		News	Mindle	Varied Programs				Business	News	CBS News	News	Varied
KSDK (5)	Late Night	Later	Sluiss	Lozsa	Varied	NBC News	Varied	NBC News	News	News	News	News	Varied
KTNV (2)	Cop	Movie	Lozsa	Movie		Varied Programs		2 Music	Heaven	Univ.	Copland	Univ.	Univ.
KDNL (3)	Politically	Blossom	Varied Programs		ABC World News Now				ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News	ABC News
KETC (3)	Business	Varied	News-Lehrer		Varied Programs				Adventures	Varied Programs			Business
KPLR (1)	Jenny Jones		Psychic	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Varied Programs	Harry	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Aladdin		Mega Movie
CABLE STATIONS													
CH 3	TV		Scoresboard	Scoresboard Central	Scoresboard Central	Today's Business			Varied Programs				
CNN (2)	Larry King Live	Overnight	Sports	Crossfire	Newsroom	Sports	Daybreak	Business	Varied	Early Edition			
NICK (2)	Munsters	Happy D	Late Lucy	Newhart	TV	M.T. Moore	Yan Dyke	Varied	Weniviewe	Beetlejuice	Jagdet	Chimpunk	
TMN (2)	Movie	Varied	Movie	Varied Programs					TV	Joe	Joe	Joe	
ESPN (2)	USA						Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Bloomberg	Marlo	Sharks	
TNT (2)	Sports	Up Close	Varied Programs				Up Close	Sports	Varied	Sports	Sports	Sports	
DISC 24	Movie	Net Step	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	
TBS 13	Movie	Varied	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	
TVG 26	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	
WFSB 12	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Movie	Varied Programs			Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Copeland	Griffith	Varied	Griffith	
WGNL 10	Varied Programs										Sutrine		
AHC 28	Movie	Varied Programs						Movie					
TNN 38	Varied Programs	(Off Air)											
MTV 18	Music Videos Conf'd	Varied Programs			Music Videos				Crack of MTV		Grid	Videos	
LIFE 30	Designing	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	
News 13	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	News	
FAM 26	Logo	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	FIT TV	Varied Programs			
ACE 31	Varied Programs	Law & Order		Movie					Evening of the Improv	Classroom			
AAFI 35	Space Conf'd	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	Prod Prog.	
W	War and Remembrance Conf'd	Varied Programs							History Shows	Year by Year	Scat		
PREMIUM STATIONS													
HBO 14	Movie	Movie	Varied Programs					Movie		Varied Programs			
SHOW 15	Movie Conf'd												
TBS 17	Movie	Prod Prog.	Movie	Varied Programs									
ESN 16	Movie	Varied Programs			Movie			Varied	Mickey	Tale Spin	Donald	Goat	

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TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 5, 1997												
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BROADCAST STATIONS												
KVM	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
KMOV	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
KSDK	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
KNLG	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
KETC	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
KPLR	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
CABLE STATIONS												
CNN	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
NICK	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
TNT	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
ESPN	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
DISC	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
TBS	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
WCN	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
WHRL	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
TNN	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
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LIFE	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
FAM	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
A&E	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
SCIFI	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
PREMIUM STATIONS												

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Willis, Neal E.

OWENS, Jesse A.
Granite City.
Owens, Jesse A.,
City died at 7:05 a.m.
7, 1997, in Granite
City, 19, 1912,
Grove, Mo.
Mr. Owens
retired 1975
from Granite
City School Dis-
trict as a 25
year man as a
custodian. He was
of a Lutheran
faith.
Survivors in-
clude two
daughters, Betty
Kassler, of St.
Louis, and Ann
Kassler, of St. Louis,
one brother, John
Beasley, of Garden
City, and three
grandchildren and
children.
He was preceded
first wife, Anna
Owens, who died
and who died in 1951,
wife, Virginia (Rae)
Owens, who died in
1985; his sons, Ray
and Arizona (Carter)
Owens, of Tompkins,
Ark. and Robert
Owens; and
Aunt Akers, Fern
Raker and
Services were held
April 9, at Irwin
Chapel, 1912, at
English 131 officiating.
Lake View Memorial
Park, 1912.
Memorials are
being accepted for
the Granite City
Community Center.
LUCY, Mary
MARY (KORENKA)

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Willis, Neal E.

Lucas, Mary (Korenak)
MARY (KORENAK) LUCAS, 90, o

Survivors
include his wife,
Thelma (Shaver)
Hoxsey, whom he married Sept.
1954; one son, Chuck Hoxsey
Granite City; one daughter, Carl
Burgess of Collinsville; one brother
Pete Hoxsey of Catawissa, Mo.
three sisters, Dorothy Baldwin

Memorials are suggested to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Whitfield, Ruby Lindsey
 RUBY "BIG MAMA" LINDSEY
 WHITFIELD, 81, of Cahokia died

9, 1997 at Jewish Hospital in St. Louis following a lengthy illness. Born Sept. 18, 1935, in Granite City, he resided in Granite City until moving to Rockford in 1980; retired and returned to Granite City in 1995.

Weis, Faith Ann
FAITH ANN WEIS was stillborn
2:03 p.m. Monday, April 7, 1997,
St. Elizabeth Hospital in Belleville.

That means the general assistance fund began the current fiscal year with an additional \$6,852 in unpaid obligations as of Feb. 28, the last day of the fiscal year.

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ATTENTION: RESIDENTS OF GRANITE CITY

The body was gifted to St. Louis University School of Medicine.

services were held Sunday
April 6, at Hope Tabernacle in
Linton.
Memorials are suggested to

Meadow Heights Baptist Church, 1498 Vandalia, Collinsville.
NAGY, Ruth S. (Zemitus), 86, of Granite City died at 2:52

Maryville Road, Granite City, with the Rev. John Gamblin and Dr. Bob Jones officiating. Burial was at Sunset Hill Memorial Estates in Glen Carbon.

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When Marty J. Edwards, a senior at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, was named to watch high school soccer postseason action, it was just a social call. Hickman, an active director with the High School Athletic Association, was checking things out. He was going to a tournament in boys soccer to host the Class A state finals. Recently, it was that site would be at SIUE. "It's probably the best facility in the area," man said last week. When SIUE, the state finals, mark the first area has ever hosted of an IHSA soccer tournament. Hosting Class A a lot of sense, Hickman and others.

"It's probably the nicest soccer field in the state."
— Mark Schwarzkopf

"This area soccer hotbed," Granite City, Edwardsville, Hickman said. "It's a large-school tournament, the small more spread out, so the tournament is because the schools (usually eight teams) are in the Chicago area."

That said, there is a positive. Class AA boys' soccer being held at SIUE once every two years. He added: "All the schools come down to it at the same time, certainly merging." Mark Schwarzkopf, a coach at High and a member of the IHSA soccer advisory committee, is elated about hosting the Class A tournament. "It's a way Schwarzkopf senses to hold a tournament in southern part of the state, good to have down here, plus it's so much better we've been playing north."

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Bob Emig

Class A finals to showcase Guelker Field

When Marty Hickman traveled to Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville last fall to watch high school boys soccer postseason action, it wasn't just a social call.

Hickman, an assistant executive director with the Illinois High School Association, was checking things out. With Illinois going to a two-class system in boys soccer, the IHSA obviously needed another site to host the Class A state finals. Recently, it was announced that site would be Bob Guelker Field at SIUE.

"It's probably the nicest soccer facility in the state," Hickman said last week from his office in Bloomington.

When SIUE, indeed, hosts the state finals Nov. 7-8, it will mark the first time this area has ever hosted the finals of an IHSA state tournament. Hosting Class A soccer makes a lot of sense, according to Hickman and others.

"It's probably the nicest soccer facility in the state."

— Marty Hickman
IHSA official

"This area is definitely a soccer hotbed, with the likes of Granite City, Collinsville, Edwardsville and O'Fallon," Hickman said. "Unlike the large-school soccer tournament, the smaller schools are more spread out throughout the state, so the location is not ideal. But the state tournament is down here, because the majority of the schools (usually six of the eight teams) are from the Chicago area."

That said, Hickman says there is a possibility of the Class AA boys soccer finals being held at SIUE "maybe once every three or four years."

He added: "It's a lot to ask all the schools up north to come down to SIUE, but then, at the same time, the facility certainly merits them coming."

Mark Schwarzkopf, head soccer coach at Edwardsville High and a member of the IHSA soccer advisory committee, is slated that SIUE is hosting the Class A tournament.

"It's what past due," Schwarzkopf said. "It makes sense to hold the small-school tournament in the central or southern part of the state. It's good to have representation down here, plus the field itself is so much better than what we've been playing on up north."

"Playing at SIUE, the game will be more attractive for the fans. The players will be using the width of the field more and not playing north and south all the time. The fields up north at the state finals are just converted football fields. They're really narrow and not really conducive to good soccer."

There is no guarantee that SIUE will be a permanent site for the Class A tournament, Schwarzkopf says. The tournament must attract fans and revenue.

"There's no doubt about it that the IHSA is a business," Schwarzkopf says. "If the tournament doesn't make money or, at least, breaks even, then it could be moved."

Hickman is confident the area will support the tournament.

"I'm hoping the permanent seating (about 3,000) now at SIUE is not enough," he says. "I'm hoping that they'll have to bring in some temporary seating (like SIUE did for the U.S. Olympic Festival)."

Well, it's now up to the area to get behind its first-ever IHSA state finals. For those who have been meaning for years about traveling north for the soccer finals, it's now their turn to show that this area can support an Illinois state tournament. If not, the stay may be short-lived — great facility or not.

(Bob Emig is a longtime sports correspondent who covers the Metro East.)

Edwardsville stops Warriors cold

GCHS falls in shortened contest 8-0

By Chad Baalman
Correspondent

The sting felt by the Granite City Warriors turned out to be two-fold Tuesday.

If the frigid conditions weren't enough, the slick Edwardsville Tigers dealt some pain to the Warriors with an abbreviated 8-0 Southwestern Conference win. The Tigers kept their unblemished record intact and improved to 6-0 and 1-0. The Warriors, who beat CBC of St. Louis on Monday, dropped to 2-4 and 0-2.

The game was called after 4½ innings because of cold weather at the Edwardsville Sports Complex.

Even though the Tigers had just six safeties in the contest, they were aided by sloppy fielding by GCHS and some slick glove work of their own to back up the effort of starting hurler Colin Gardiner.

The senior right-hander got the win to move to 2-0. Junior lefthander Justin Hampson was able to get some work in



Greg Winfield heads for home plate during Monday's win over CBC. The Warriors will visit East St. Louis at 4 p.m. today.

while pitching the fifth inning in relief of Gardiner.

"We really like our pitching with Gardiner," Tigers coach Tom Pile said. "We feel it's our strength."

While the Tigers played their

customary steady defense, the same couldn't be said of the Warriors in the third inning, a frame in which the Tigers scored five times to break it open.

"Edwardsville does all the

little things," GCHS coach Gus Lignoul said. "They never beat themselves. We don't do all the little things."

The Tigers, already leading 3-0, scored all five of their third-inning runs with two out

off reliever Paul Kacera. With Matt Evers and Gardiner on second and third, respectively, Matt Bogle ripped a single to center field to clear the bases. Bogle scored when James Hulton reached on an error to make it 6-0.

Nick Siebert singled Hulton in and moved to second on the throw home, and he scampered to third on a wild throw to second. Then Kory Kubla's infield single played Siebert and capped the scoring. Jason Dix, the Warriors' starting pitcher, lasted only two innings and took the loss.

The Tigers jumped out in front with two runs in the first and a single run in the second. Those first two runs came without aid of a hit and instead were manufactured the hard way.

"We did a good job in the first inning to get out on top," Pile said. "We wanted to get some momentum, which we got. We got some ground balls to move runners over and then we got somebody to get the big base hit."

The Warriors had a glorious chance to open the scoring in the first inning. After the first two batters were retired, GCHS loaded the bases. But Gardiner got catcher Jeff Hayden to end the inning with a full count.

(See WARRIORS, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)
Granite City's Amy Monroe reaches for a pitch.

Lady Warriors open week with win

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

The Lady Warriors' softball squad split a pair of contests to open a busy week, which included four games in five days — two against Southwestern Conference opponents.

On Monday, GCHS rolled past Wood River 13-3 in an abbreviated game. The contest was called after five innings because of the 10-run rule.

As strong hitters for the win and Jessica Stratman picked up the save with 1½ innings of quality relief.

Wood River is a much better team than they showed against us," said GCHS coach

Deb Germann. "They gave a very tough O'Fallon team all it could handle. But they made six errors against us and that many mistakes are sure to cost you."

By contrast, the Lady Warriors committed only one miscue and played an overall superb defensive game. GCHS also outthit the Oilers at the plate.

Robyn Slater led the way offensively with a three-for-four performance. A pair of early RBIs, Jan Shannett (2-2) and Greenhouse (1-1) each contributed one RBI to a solid hitting attack.

It marked the second game in a row that GCHS reached double digits in scoring. Collinsville was beaten 10-5 last

Thursday.

But on Tuesday, both the weather and the Lady Warriors' bats turned cold as Edwardsville took a 5-0 lead into the bottom of the seventh inning and survived a late GCHS rally to post a narrow 5-3 decision.

Stratman took the loss, going the distance and striking out four batters.

Shannett drove in a pair of runs with a two-for-three effort.

Wright, Amy Tapp (See SOFTBALL, Page 3B)

Lady Cougars stay on march through GLVC

By Brian Bretsch
Staff writer

Not even Mother Nature had the proper game plan to chill the red-hot Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville softball team in its last weekend.

Then again, nobody has had any success in derailling the Lady Cougars.

The Lady Cougars (27-9) won three more Great Lakes Valley Conference games to up their record to 19-0.

While the 19-0 mark in the GLVC is a staggering number, it's secondary to the team's 23-game winning streak.

SIUE coach Sandy Montgomery said everything is clicking for the Lady Cougars.

"We are playing exceptional defense right now and hitting the ball. When you do those two things, you normally come out on top," Montgomery said. "We are getting good pitching. Our ERA is just under 2.00 and that's what I told the kids we needed to get. We are scoring four runs a game on average, so that is a good combination."

Edwardsville High's a dute Christy Perry paced the Lady Cougars in their third wins Sunday. Perry batted .444 to raise her season average to .302. She collected 29 hits, seven doubles and 21 RBIs on the year.

SIUE pitchers Jessica Silbe and Deanna Smith held the Lady Cougars' three opponents to just 2.1 runs a contest. Silbe improved to 12-4 with her fourth shutout of the year against Kentucky Wesleyan. Smith is 9-4 and leads the team with a 0.82 ERA and has 46 strikeouts.

For the season, senior Jennifer Smith and junior Gwen Jackson are leading SIUE at (See SIUE, Page 3B)

Meyers nets offer from Missouri-Rolla

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

Granite City soccer player Connie Meyers has signed a national letter of intent to play for the University of Missouri at Rolla.

UMR coach Mark Salisbury is high on Meyers, a senior sweeper with the Lady Warriors.

"We really needed a player to take the load of (all-American team leader) Natalie Sanders and to give her more freedom on the field. This makes us better than we were last year," Salisbury said.

The Lady Miners finished fourth in their region last year. Meyers, who had a banner junior season at GCHS, was recognized as both an all-Southwestern Conference and all-state selection. She was captain of the Lady Warriors' squad that finished third at state.

As sweeper on this year's team, she holds the line defen-

"She is a leader and she does her leading by example. It is obvious why Rolla is so high on her."

— Gene Baker
GCHS coach

sively for what has been a nearly impenetrable GCHS backfield. The Lady Warriors (3-0) have yielded only one goal this season, and it was essentially a fluke goal off a direct free kick.

"Connie is a young girl who has her priorities in line," said GCHS coach Gene Baker. "She is a gifted athlete and a good student. As an athlete, (See MEYERS, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)
GCHS senior Connie Meyers (left), an all-stater as a junior, will suit up with the University of Missouri-Rolla women's team next season.

Floodgates giving way to NHL playoffs

Don't get me wrong. I love hockey. I believe that on the eighth day, God created the Stanley Cup playoffs.

But, I'm not one of those guys who goes to a hockey fight and worries that a game may break out. I'm there to see the game. If I want to see a fight, I can go to a village board meeting.

But what is it about hockey at the professional level anyway?

Usually, in most sports, the trick is making the playoffs. But in hockey, the trick is not making the playoffs.

In basketball, for example, the hard thing to do is to finish high enough to be in the NBA postseason. But in hockey, the hard thing to do is to finish low enough to miss the NHL postseason. I haven't checked this with a mathematician, but the



Patrick Heston

odds against missing hockey's second season must be next to impossible.

In fact, everybody and his grandmother makes the playoffs in professional hockey. Sub 500 season? Not to worry. This is the NHL. You could elect a Republican mayor in Chicago before you could miss out on hockey's postseason.

Everybody with a double digit IQ would know that something was way wrong with the way the NBA does business if the New Jersey Nets would

make the postseason. But, if the Nets were in the NHL, they'd already be in the playoffs. And, to be honest, I think the Nets would be more successful on ice than on the hardwood.

But in hockey, teams like the Blackhawks, the Canucks, and even the Blues can deceive themselves into thinking they have had a good season because they were the eighth team to make the conference playoffs when, in reality, they are bad teams having poor seasons and don't deserve even the slightest chance to contend for a trophy they've spent all season proving they shouldn't have.

The Blues, for example, have won only 33 of 79 games. If they were in the worst division of professional basketball, (See HESTON, Page 3B)

GCHS netters split pair in conference

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

It's hard to tell much of anything after the GCHS boys tennis team's first two matches.

The Warriors battled perhaps the weakest and the strongest squads in the Southwestern Conference in back-to-back matches on Monday and Tuesday, winning at East St. Louis Lincoln and losing at Belleville East.

"Right now it's impossible to tell where we fit in the mix," said GCHS coach Allan

Lobdell. "We'll know more in a week."

The Warriors traveled to Cahokia today, host always tough McClellan North on Friday, and visit Belleville East on Monday. The Warriors' coming left his No. 1 player, Chris Carpenter, at home for the Lincoln match. The Warriors (See GCHS, Page 3B)



Chris Carpenter

Warriors

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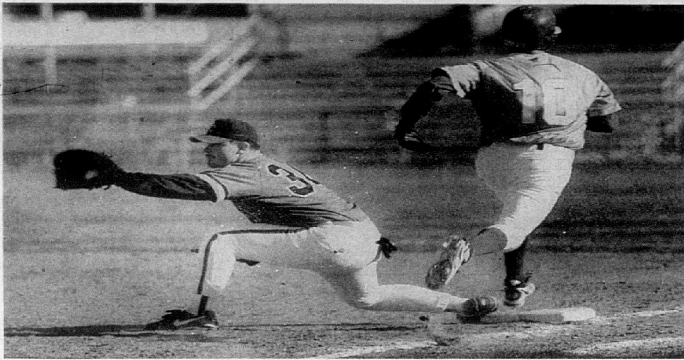
count and end the threat. "We couldn't get the big hit with two outs," Lagnou said. "Edwardsville got a couple two-out hits. That's the things I'm talking about. That's the difference between winning and losing."

The Warriors were coming off Monday's 7-5 victory over CBC. Last week's game at Waterloo was rained out.

In other SWC action Tuesday, Belleville East shut out Collinsville 10-0 in a game shortened to five innings by the 10-run rule. The Lancers improved to 7-0 and 2-0 in conference play, while the Kahoks suffered their first loss and dropped to 4-1, 1-1.

Also on Tuesday, Belleville West defeated East St. Louis Lincoln 18-0.

The Warriors will return to the diamond today for a 4 p.m. game at East St. Louis. On Saturday, GCHS travels to Triad for a 10 a.m. doubleheader.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE) Granite City first baseman Ryan Relleke takes a throw as a CBC runner crosses the bag.

SIUE

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the plate. Smith is batting .301 and is tied with Jackson for the team lead in RBIs with 27. Jackson is batting a team-best .384.

But during SIUE's school-record 23-game winning streak, everyone has stepped up. Montgomery said the team doesn't put any pressure on itself to keep the streak alive. "I am pressing more than they are," Montgomery said. "They are very relaxed. We were behind 1-0 in the Southern Indiana game this weekend and not really hitting very well at that point. It didn't even phase them. The next inning they came back and tied it, and then in the sixth we went ahead 5-1."

The Lady Cougars' start to the season was a deceptive one. SIUE began the year with a trip to Florida, where it lost a couple of one-run games to ranked Division II schools.

Montgomery knew it was just a matter of time before the team came into its own. "We have a lot of talent and the thing you have to concentrate on when you have a lot of talent is you still have to win and they are getting that done right now," Montgomery said. "They are doing the little things right."

The spring trip was the first time the kids really got to see any pitch outside of their own pitchers. That makes a big difference. Right now I won't say everybody hits all the time, we have different contributors on a day-to-day basis."

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Wrestlers place in AAU
The Granite City Wrestling Club competed in the AAU Nationals March 28-29 at the Cervantes Convention Center in St. Louis.

Four members from the club placed.

Among the boys, Gary Oxford placed first in the high school division at 153 pounds. David Crouch was third in the 15-16 age group at 250 pounds and Troy Howell finished sixth in the 9-10 age group at 55 pounds.

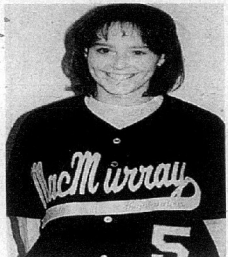
Among the girls, Erica Wagner (112 pounds) placed first in the 15-16 age group.

The AAU is the only competition that allows girls to wrestle girls competitively.

Thomas at MacMurray
Jessica Thomas, a 1994 graduate of GCHS, is playing with the MacMurray College softball team this season.

Thomas is a junior infielder for the Lady Highlanders, who have the potential to improve greatly on their record last year. The team finished 12-27 overall and 4-9 (fifth place) in the St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

The 1997 team has more depth at every position, including all-conference players Amy Alexander, Joy David and Joni Hart. Thomas fits into the mix nicely, adding solid fielding and hitting to the lineup. Third-year coach Robin Pietryk said it will take a blend of young players



and veterans to help the team reach its potential.

"With a lot of experienced players returning in both the infield and outfield, I have high expectations for this team," Pietryk said. "We definitely have the talent to compete with the teams on our schedule. If we play to our potential and remain both positive and focused, then we should finish high in the conference."

MacMurray competes in the SLIAC along with Blackburn College, Fontbonne College, Greenville College, Maryville University, Principia College, Webster University and Westminster College.

Thomas is the daughter of David and Patricia Thomas of Granite City. She is majoring in English at MacMurray, a liberal arts college affiliated with the United Methodist Church.

FCA brunch

The 10th annual Fellowship of Christian Athletes Women's Brunch will be held 10 a.m. April 19 at the Frontenac Hilton Hotel. A single ticket may be purchased for \$20 and tickets for a table of eight are \$160. Seating is on a first come, first serve basis.

The speaker for the brunch is four-time Olympian Madeline Mims. Her Olympic achievements include a gold medal in the 800 meters at the 1968 Olympics in Mexico City and a silver medal in the 4x400 relay at the 1972 Munich Olympics.

Mims captained the U.S. Olympic Women's track team in 1972, 1976 and 1980. She also served as chaplain at the 1996 games in Atlanta.

Ticket orders should be sent to: The Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 10 S. Brentwood Blvd., Suite 8, St. Louis, Mo. 63105. For more information, call (314) 863-3322.

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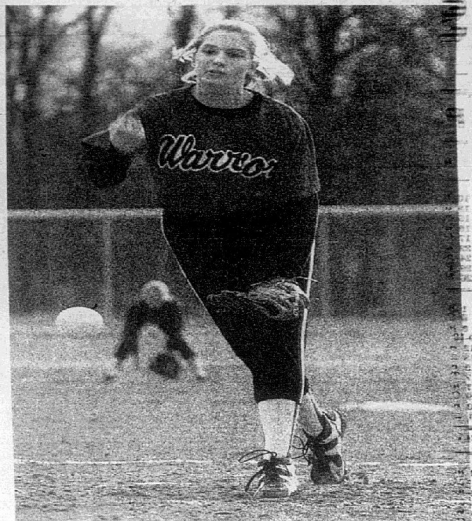
Bob Warming's St. Louis Soccer Academy will hold several summer camps for boys this year.

The Elite Academy, for boys ages 13-19, is scheduled for July 20-24. The Advanced Academy, for boys ages 9-14, meets July 27-31. The Goal Scoring and Goal Keeping Academy, for boys ages 10-19, is July 24-26. The Goalkeeping Special Training Academy meets three times — July 20-24, July 24-26, and July 27-31 — and is open to boys ages 10-19.

For more information or an application, call (314) 977-3268 or write to St. Louis Soccer Academy, 3672 West Pine Boulevard, St. Louis, Mo., 63108.

Madison Khoury League
Madison youths ages 6-18 may register for Khoury League this year at the Madison Recreation Center, 7th and Lee Streets, on Friday, April 11, Saturday, April 12, and Monday, April 14.

Saturday registration will be held 10 a.m. to noon. Registration on the other dates will be held 5:30-8 p.m. The fee is \$30. For more information, call James Gardner at 451-0908.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE) Valerie Henson hurls a pitch in a recent game.

Softball

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and Tonna Druhe each had one hit.

"Jenna Wright had the game of her life," Germann said. "She made a diving catch over her head, she went into the hole to make a great play. She was simply all over the field making one great play after another. It was the best game she has ever played."

The Lady Warriors had their chances in the seventh inning, scoring three quick runs and putting runners in first and third or second-and-third situations on three different occasions, but coming up short

each time.

"I thought we were going into extra innings," Germann said. "We probably should have. But I was proud of the girls and pleased with how we played. They gave 100 percent. They worked hard, they played hard, they executed. And that's what makes you successful. That's more important than winning and losing."

The split left GCHS at 3-2 overall and 1-1 in the SWC.

The Lady Warriors hosted Mascoutah on Wednesday and will travel to East St. Louis to take on the Flyerettes in a 4:15 p.m. game today.

Meyers

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she has size, speed and strong kicking power. She is potentially more of a scorer this season as we bring her forward from her sweeper position. As a student, she is one of the best in her class, and her intelligence helps her on the soccer field.

"She is a quiet, polite, unassuming young lady. She is a leader and she does her leading by example. It is obvious why Rolla is so high on her."

Salisbury likes Meyers, not

only because of her well-honed skills, but also because she has played against what the coach calls "a high level of competition" during her high school career.

Salisbury expects Meyers to bring "a new level of competition and focus to this team and that will make us a lot better."

Meyers should step right into the lineup as a freshman and could also contribute to a highly successful season, similar to the last two years with the Lady Warriors.

Heston

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they would be in next-to-last place, several light years removed from the playoffs. Long ago eliminated mathematically. As it is, they're almost a sure bet for the postseason in hockey.

It defies logic that 56 percent of the teams in any league would be admitted to the playoffs. The playoffs are supposed to mean something. In the NHL they do. They mean everybody — even the lousy teams — get rewarded for not being as lousy as the really

lousy teams.

By this logic, I would have been an all-state basketball player in high school because, terrible as I was, I wasn't as terrible as the players who were unbelievably terrible. I was just very terrible. In the NHL, it would have been good enough to get me in.

Maybe that's why when you refer to someone as being dense or stupid, you don't call them a basketball or a baseball or even a tennis ball. You call them a hockey puck.

After all, there's stupid and then there's really stupid.

GCHS

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still had an easy time, rolling to a 7-0 victory.

The score was reversed the next afternoon, even with Carpenter in action, as the Lancers prevailed 7-0.

But there were positives.









"Chris Carpenter gave Belleville East's No. 1 player all he could handle," Lobdell said. "He lost 6-7 and 3-6 in matches much closer than the numbers indicate."

"Coming into the match, we knew there were elements of Carpenter's match that needed work. The match helped us identify those elements so we can go to work on them and make Chris an even better tennis player than he is."

Lobdell added, "I wasn't sure whether or not we could compete with (East). We'll work on some things and hopefully be more competitive the next time around."

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Dancers set for Mounds appearance

Indian dancing, a prehistoric craft day and a lecture are the highlight April activities at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site.

The Kahok Dancers, a non-native group, will present interpretive performances of Indian dance that are free and open to the public at 2 and 3 p.m. April 13.

A new event, Prehistoric Lifeways, a demonstration of prehistoric skills, will premiere from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, April 20. Craft makers will demonstrate the skills of the prehistoric Indians in the region, including flintknapping (arrowhead making), pottery making, fingerweaving, bow and arrow making, fabricating bone and shell ornaments, cattail decoys, split-twig figures, and more. This free event will be held on the grounds by Interpretive Center.

The Winter Lecture Series will conclude at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 27, with the "Mighty Mississippians of Illinois," presented by Dr. John Kelly, an Illinois archaeologist active for more than two decades and a leading expert on the Mississippian culture and Cahokia Mounds. He will discuss the rise, dominance and demise of this important culture. The lecture is free and open to the public.

The "Indian Diversity" exhibit continues through May. It features Indian cultures from the Southeast, Southwest, Plains and Northwestern Woodlands. Groups from each of these culture areas are examined through historical photographs, artworks, maps, text and artifacts, from the first contact with the Europeans to the present day. Information is presented on history, daily activities, material culture, social life, modern government, schools, industry and family life of these groups.

In conjunction with the "Indian Diversity" exhibit, an award-winning educational package is available for \$20 from the Museum Shop. It includes a 50-page handbook divided into "Time Journey," which explores the prehistoric cultures of North America, and "Indian Diversity," which brings to life the modern Choctaw, Ponca, Pueblo and Peoria/Miami cultures.

A video accompanying the handbook covers similar topics on large posters, one also part of the package. Call 344-9221 for ordering information.

Guided tours of Monks Mound will be offered on Saturdays and Sundays in April at 1:30 p.m. Self-guided tours of Monks Mound, the Plaza-Twin Mounds, and Woodhenge are available at all times through the loan of a cassette tape or the purchase of a guidebook in the Museum Shop. The guidebook is available in 13 languages and Braille.

For visitors with disabilities, a Braille guide to the Monks Mound tour is available, and a new 17-minute video tour of Cahokia Mounds may be viewed upon request at the Interpretive Center.

Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site, administered by the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, is just eight miles from downtown St. Louis near Collinsville, off Interstate 55/70 and 255, and Illinois 111, on Collinsville Road. It is open daily free of charge, although a donation of \$2 for adults and \$1 for children is suggested. Call 346-5160 for more information or a Calendar of Events.

Apprenticeship program open

Applications for apprenticeship training in the carpentry trade will be available April 7-11 and April 14-18 at the St. Clair County union office.

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Reward — In January, 371 students were "Caught being Good" at Maryville School. All 371 students were rewarded with free ice cream. Their names were also put in a drawing for cash prizes and Maryville Mustang tee shirts.

Students winning T-shirts were, back row from left in photo above, Joshua Feeney, Lyndie Phelan, Rachel Wilbur, Dillon Wesley; front row from left, Amber Morrison, Leah Watson, Joseph Buckingham and Chris Ortiz.

Money for this program was appropriated by the Granite City School Board to give positive reinforcement to desirable behavior.

Winners of cash prizes were, back row from left in photo at right, Jimmy Rill, Jeff Phillips, front row, from left, Ricky Watson and Chelsea Ware.

Writing camp slated

The fourteenth annual Summer Writing Day Camp at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville has been set for two sessions Monday through Friday, June 16-27, and July 7-18.

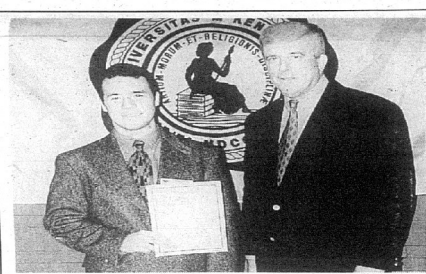
The fee for any of the day-camp sessions is \$160, which includes a nonrefundable \$15 fee upon registration. The \$145 balance is due by June 13.

Enrollment per session is limited to 30 students, ages eight through 18, according to Eugene Violette, of the SIUE department of English language and literature, who has been director of the writing camp since its inception.

The camps are open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with several hours of classroom development activity, plus recreation periods for tennis, softball, swimming, canoeing, volleyball, bowling, board games, and nature exploration of the University campus, among others.

Violette said writing periods have an excellent pupil-teacher ratio, with "development of skills articulating thought in the sentence, the paragraph, and the short essay, as well as by the means of collaborative effort in such creative forms as drama and fiction." Students from the fifth grade and higher will use computers extensively in the composition process, but participants do not need prior experience with computers to do well in the program.

Violette also noted that individual instruction will be available as needed for such basics as grammar, spelling, and punctuation, but also said this is not the total objective of the program. Violette will be assisted at the day camp by area elementary and secondary teachers.



McKendree College President James M. Dennis presents a certificate to Scott N. Mills recognizing his participation in the Presidential Scholarship Competition recently held at McKendree.

Mills in scholarship competition

Scott N. Mills, a senior at Granite City High School, was one of approximately 200 students who participated in the recent McKendree College Presidential Scholarship competition.

Mills is the son of Dr. William and Cynthia Mills of Granite City. He is a member of the soccer team, '94 State Runner Up Team, '96 Tri-Captain, All Southwestern Conference First Team, Belleville News Democrat First Team, St. Louis Post Dispatch Honorable Mention, David Morgan Award, Alpha Peer Leader, Advanced Acting and Science Club.

To qualify for the competition, Mills had to meet one of the following criteria: possess a 3.4 grade average on a 4.0 scale, score a 25 composite on the ACT, or rank in the top 20 percent of his graduating class. Competitors were required to participate in two 15-minute interviews with separate committees. The committees consisted of past McKendree College Presidential Scholarship winners, McKendree alumni, faculty and staff.

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BIRTHS

Utley, Shelby Sue
LEON JR. AND ANGELA UTLEY of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter, Shelby Sue. She was born Nov. 4, 1996, at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center at 1:31 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are James and Carolyn Patton of Granite City. Paternal grandmother is Nina Causey of Cahokia.

Isenburg, Joshua Carter
LISA AND JEFFREY ISENBURG of Saybrook, Ill., have announced the birth of their first child, a son, Joshua Carter. He was born Nov. 4, 1996, at St. Joseph's Hospital in Bloomington at 5:14 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 12 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are George and Shirley Carter of Saybrook. Paternal grandparents are Steve and Jane Isenburg of Granite City.

Paternal great-grandparents are Marie Isenburg of Granite City and Hugh and Charlotte Wallace of Bloomington.

Kleimann, Sydney
RICH AND TERRI KLEIMANN of Fairmont City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter, Sydney Nicole. She was born Nov. 25, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville at 8:46 a.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 1 ounce, and joins a sister, Kaitlyn, 5.

Maternal grandparents are Betty Garcia of Collinsville and Mitchell Garcia of Granite City. Paternal grandmother is Sandy Dietl of St. Peters, Mo.

Clutts, Taylor Victoria
BRENT CLUTTS AND KELLY BENNETT of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter, Taylor Victoria Clutts. She was born Nov. 25, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville at 2:40 p.m. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Rhonda Newsham of Granite City and Bruce Bennett of Gronostown, Ky. Paternal grandparents are Roger and Cynthia Clutts of Granite City.

Paterson, Kendall Lee
KENNY AND CONNIE PATERSON of Collinsville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter, Kendall Lee. She was born Nov. 27, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville at 12:05 a.m. She weighed 9 pounds, 13 ounces, and joins a sister, Courtney, 5.

Maternal grandparents are John and Pat Uznoff of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Ken and Doris Paterson of Granite City.

Connolly, Bridgette Erin
STEVE AND LISA CONNOLLY of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter, Bridgette Erin. She was born Nov. 15, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville at 9:41 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 5 ounces, and joins a sister, Anna Nicole, 2.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John B. Shupe of Boiesvain, Va. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Connolly of Granite City.

Bolt, Craig Matthew
CRAIG AND TISH BOLT of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a son, Craig Matthew Bolt Jr. He was born Nov. 20, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville at 4:56 a.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces, and joins a brother, Edward, 3.

Maternal grandparents are Janet Rose of Edwardsville and Robert McGilligan of Rockport, Mo. Paternal grandmother is Sally Hummel of Quincy, Ill.

Papes, Tiara Ashmarie
CYNTHIA PAPES of Madison has announced the birth of her fourth child, a daughter, Tiara Ashmarie. She was born Nov. 12, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville at 3:44 p.m. She weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces, and joins sisters, Tiana Dunn, 15, and Patrick McGowan, 8.

Maternal grandparents are Grace and Bob Lauritzen of Arcadia, Mo. Paternal grandparents are Robert and Toni Hohn of Glen Carbon.

Herzing, Alyssa Marie
RICK AND DAWN HERZING of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter, Alyssa Marie. She was born Nov. 9, 1996, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville at 6:21 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 4 ounces.

Clark
Timothy and Shawna Clark of Collinsville have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter, Caitlyn Michelle. She was born Oct. 31, 1996, at St. Elizabeth's Medical Center at 6:54 p.m. She weighed 6 pounds, 10 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Marlene and Danny Linhart of Granite City. Paternal grandparents are Sharon and James Clark of Alhambra.

Entrants sought for Horseradish Festival boys', girls' pageants

Entrants are being sought for the eighth annual Little Miss Horseradish Festival and the third annual Little Mister Horseradish Festival pageants.

The pageants will be held during the 10th annual Horseradish Festival in Collinsville's Woodland Park Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8.

Contestants for both pageants must be 4 to 6 years of age and live in Madison or St. Clair counties. They cannot be a currently reigning Little Miss or Mister or similar titleholder and cannot be a previous Little Miss or Mister Horseradish winner.

Entrants must submit their name, age, address, phone number and parents' names on a 3-by-5 card to Lisa Grimm, c/o the Collinsville Chamber of Commerce, 221 W. Main St., Collinsville.

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Terry's Bar and Grill, 416 Belt Line Road, Collinsville: Karaoke with Steve Brandes every Friday night.

Stagger Inn... Again, 104 E. Vandalia, Edwardsville: Thursday, Judy Koen; Friday, Mindoversoul; Saturday, Pave the Pocket and Back of Dave and Poor Kings. Sunday, open mic night; Tuesday, jazz jam; and Wednesday open mic night.

Wild Country, 17 Gateway Drive, Collinsville: Thursday, Decades — 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s music; Friday and Saturday, live music; Monday, "Mild Country" quiet dancing; Tuesday, male dance review; and Wednesday line dancing.

Eluzions Night Club, Illinois 157, Collinsville: Tuesday, Rock-n-Roll Nite; Wednesday, Top 40 Dancemix; Thursday, Ladies Nite.

Dave's Cappuccino, 206 N. Bluff, Collinsville: Thursday, V & Cindy Duo; Friday, Tim Scott and Saturday, David White.

Winner's, 9501 Collinsville Road, Collinsville: Tuesday, Karaoke with Steve Brandes from 8 p.m. to midnight; Wednesday, D.J. with Steve Brandes spinning your favorite oldies from 8 p.m. to midnight; Saturday live music. Call 345-2111 to see who's playing each week.

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HOROSCOPE

Thursday, April 10

The Taurus moon brings all that is sensual within our realm — or maybe it was always there, but we now have the capability to appreciate it. Make a date. Enjoy fine food and ambiance. Music has new meaning. You may even realize that you love someone. The heavy Aries influence has got us reeling in our own ambitions. Taurus moon is a chance to relax and enjoy ourselves.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Use logic instead of emotion and your work will improve greatly. A letter brings back old memories. Be wise with choices you make concerning a current Leo or Gemini love — you could be in dangerous territory.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't be swayed by a momentary claim to fame — it may not last as long as your

friendships will. A Pisces or Taurus sweetheart apologizes for a recent disagreement. Be sensible with extra cash, and look for a good investment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Revitalize your spirit by taking some time off from work and spending it alone. Someone new could appear out of the blue and sweep you off your feet. A joke played on a friend was harmful — explain that it was only in good fun.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): You may be pushing too hard to reach your goals. Get plenty of rest, and take time to review what you've accomplished recently. Friends may seem distant but are there for you — you only have to ask. A Scorpio flirts with you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Keep your health a top priority. Your strength is what will get you ahead in your career. Check price tags on sale purchases carefully — savings may not be what you thought. A friend is willing to listen to your side of the

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 10). It's a year to make decisions based on the future. Keep your standards high. In late April, you'll get a monetary gift and a new love. May is a great time to put some of that cash into a business deal with a Virgo or Libra. Travel in July brings you spiritual enlightenment. The best signs for love are Cancer and Sagittarius.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Advances in your career have come one step at a time, so make sure to notice this growth and reward yourself. Connections you have to powerful community or political people are keys to obtaining investors for a money deal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Keep a close eye out for any opportunities in your field that involve moving out of state. This is where you will really advance. If someone is willing to help you finance furthering your education, take him or her up on it. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You may be confronted with your love's questions about a past relationship — do not feel that you need to reveal all the details. Get to the bottom of a family squabble by asking lots of questions. A Taurus is willing to assist you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Transactions involving a Libra could backfire if you do not have everything in writing. A little mystery will make you incredibly attractive to a Pisces or Gemini. It is wise to review your personal goals and make adjustments.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Be flexible with new personnel at work as they will become your advocates. Adapt to your love's new attitude by keeping an open mind. Let a friend know about a troubling situation. This person can help you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Entertain close friends and secret information comes out in the open. You get to know a co-worker much better when you are put together to head a project. Check your appointment book to avoid a scheduling conflict.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Stop being so hard on yourself, and take credit for past accomplishments — your confidence will advance your career. Your sweetheart asks for a more important place in your life. Take time to decide if this is what you want.



(BAC photo by Linda Gass Burgess)

Sign-off — Ann Jenkins of Troy practices a few basic signs in the Sign Language for Child Care/Educational Providers workshop offered through Belleville Area College's Saturday Experience program at the Granite City Campus. In the class students learned signs — such as colors, numbers, days, months, holidays and foods — to use with pre-schoolers.

Wildlife center keeps critters from harm's way

By Mary Shapiro
Staff writer

It's 1 a.m. on a Saturday, and Suzie Sutton is crawling behind a wood-burning stove in the Crestwood home of a couple she's never seen before. "Come here, Mr. Muscles — help me pull this thing out," Sutton shouts to homeowner Bill Grossenheider.

To a chorus of tiny screams coming from the chimney and an animal carrier on the living room floor, Bill yanks the stove out a little more, giving

Sutton more space to feel around.

"Awww," Rose Grossenheider coos, as she touches a pair of 2-week-old raccoons struggling in towels lining the carrier.

"We came home about 11:30 tonight and heard all this racket. We have two little old lady kitties, and they were getting wild because they could hear the noise. The babies fell through the damper and could have been back there as long as a couple of days. I love animals — I really hope they make it."

From behind the stove, Suzie hands a third baby out and motions to Bill and Rose. "Where are my gloves?" she says, and Bill promptly hands her a pair, which are heavily padded.

"I thought I heard mama," she sighs. "I just don't know how I'm going to get this last baby out — I can feel it but I can't see it," echoes Sutton's frustrated voice from behind the stove.

"Wait — I can see it now." The last tiny animal is scooped out, from a wad of insulation torn to pieces to serve as nesting material, to join its complaining siblings. "What we don't have is a mama," said Sutton, who is

founder and executive director of the Missouri Wildlife Rescue Center, at 209-R Ramsey Lane in Ballwin.

Sutton's efforts for the Grossenheiders are part of a new project by the center — "The Humane Way Wildlife Removal Service" — which started in July. It is to compensate for the shortfall between donations to the non-profit, volunteer-run center and its \$200,000 annual operating budget. The center cares for more than 5,000 animals per year.

"Other removal services drown skunks in buckets of water and shoot squirrels — I know the damage animals can do in a home, but we think there's a better way to get the animals out and release them," Sutton said.

The center's rates start at \$75 to provide 24-hour removal of nuisance wildlife from homes and related locations. Primarily, part-time rescue personnel do the dirty work. These rescuers work on a commission basis, but more people are needed.

"In fact, we want more people in a number of ways — we're in the middle of a membership drive right now, and people can join for as little as \$40," said Sutton, prowling

around the outside of the Grossenheiders' home.

Sutton began the center at her Des Peres home 25 years ago — has located Mom raccoon's point of entry on the roof.

"I'll set a live trap for mama later — she'll come back outside," she said, and paused.

"Normally, I'd use the babies as bait. But it's rainy, and the temperature is supposed to drop off like crazy — babies this young are prone to hypothermia."

About 2 a.m. after telling the Grossenheiders to look into getting a better chimney cap, she put the infants next to blankets, carriers and animal control poles in the back of her donated 10-year-old Dodge Ram, to be watched by her half-coyote — half-husky pal, Adeline.

"Adeline rides shotgun at night — she's good protection and is the greatest public relations emissary the center could have," Sutton said, fondly petting the 4-year-old. "She's like a person. She understands everything I say. For night calls, she'll take all the equipment and pile it up by the back door. Adeline is magic, a great gift."

Back on the job, Sutton coos up some chicken with garlic to tempt the mother raccoon into a live trap outside the Grossenheiders' home.

"I decided to take the babies to a sound studio, to create a continuous loop tape of the babies screaming that would attract mama, and I'll put a towel the babies were laying on in the cage with it," Sutton said later Saturday.

Unfortunately, by Sunday evening, mother still hasn't made an appearance. But Sutton had given the babies fluids, so they were holding their own.

It was the end of a typically crazy week of "run-of-the-mill" center rescues for Sutton, who now lives in Kirkwood.

"A mama opossum, with about 13 babies in her pouch, had tried to make it across Lindbergh Boulevard, north of Highway 40, during rush hour Thursday morning, and got trapped on top of the concrete median wall," Sutton said.

"We were getting at least 30 calls from drivers with car phones about her. I just ran up behind her and grabbed her by the tail — there was so much traffic noise, she couldn't hear me. We were able to release her that night."

Adeline and the other animals keep Sutton going, in a job that's demanding and tough on family life.

"And there are our center members, many of whom have been with us 20 years — I keep each letter they write," Sutton said.

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FAMILY

Holy Family announces Brown 2nd quarter honor roll

Holy Family School has announced its honor roll for the second quarter of the 1996-97 school year. Following are the lists of students who made High Honors in which the students must carry a 3.5 average or higher on a 4.0 scale, or Honors in which the student must carry a 3.0 to 3.4 average. Both conduct and effort must be above average.

FOURTH GRADE

High Honors: Emily Amberger, Jenna Benz, Jeremy Bledsoe, Anne Bossett, Zach Bowman, Emily Carpenter, Erica Cook, Bridgette Curtin, Emily Gavilsky, Melissa Geer, Chris Ginder, Steve Grant, Ryan Harrington, Shantae Hatter, Courtney Jarden, Erik Klobe, Sara Kromaj, Sara Lapusan, Kyle Maen, Amanda Marti, Alicia Morelan, Benjamin Motil, Monica Ozanich, Jessica Palmer, Andrea Patton, Michael Pennakamp, Brittany Renner, Emily Reutebuch, Maggie Rink, Jennifer Schooley, Hillary Slover, Jamie Tucker and DeMarque Young.

FIFTH GRADE

High Honors: Brian Bulva, Vince Eckhard, Cain Foster, Brittany Fuzary, Megan Gattung, Adam Granddies, Jessica Hicks, Jayla Jansen, Bridget Hopkins, Cathrine Jansen, Erin Marler, Erin Marzuff, Jani Sabol, Sarah Scaturro, Kaitlyn Schmidt, Whitney Sykes, Sarah Timko, Sean Tyler and Andy Unifed-Sigle.

Kafka-50 years

Walter J. and Loretta C. Kafka celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary April 5, 1997.

Mr. Kafka and the former Loretta C. Hoffman were married April 7, 1947, in Chicago. He is retired from Granite City Steel.

At a family party in Troy, the honored couple was treated to the viewing of a homemade movie video that included relatives from Chicago; food from Chicago, including homemade Polish sausage, duck soup, Pierogi, Polish ham and homemade Polish bread; and the presence of their daughter, Pamela, and her son from

Vaughn.

SIXTH GRADE

High Honors: Eric Brewer, Ryan Breckner, Brittney Bulva, Jessica Cavins, Jonathan Cavins, Adam Cochran, Jonathan Costello, Aaron Craft, Matt Gattung, Jessica Geer, Emily Hayes, Chris Hinds, Libby Kelley, Melissa Kolohor, Jonathan Kozak, Brittany Kull, Andy Marti, Andy Meli, Jennifer Miller, Jaime Prazma, Luke Shipley, Jennifer Vondica and Sarah Whitecotton.

SEVENTH GRADE

High Honors: Eric Berger, Jennifer Benz, Elliot Boeslert, Erin Brown, Katie Carpenter, Zac Coulter, Kara Dusky, Jada Foster, Thomas Harrington, Nicole Hicks, Joe Kramer, Frances Loun, Annika Martinez, Emily Muhsil, Paul Rucker, Jackie Schooley, Rachel Turek, Erin Tyler, Ted Wallace, Chelsey Webb, Tara Webb, Brian Wiener, Frederick Williams and Josh Zellerman.

Honors: Matt Brookner, Laura Richardson, Brian Unfried and Michael Vivod.

EIGHTH GRADE

High Honors: Stephen Bledsoe, L'Erin Brown, Lindsay Bulva, Ashley Burdige, Scott Carney, Erica Cavins, Zac Cochran, Andrew Craft, Ben Hayes, Emily Kahan, John Lucic, Stacie Marler, Patrick Meredith, Penny Meyer, Sandy Miller, Sara Myers, Jessica Oates, Elizabeth Przydzio, Paul Rucker, and James Lee of Alabama.

Honors: Kim Deloney, Chris Ellers, Scott Jansen and Terry Williams.



Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kafka in 1947

Texas, and their son, James, and his family from Alabama. They are the parents of five children: Priscilla Blomme of Granite City, Pamela Toth of San Antonio, Marlene Harizel and Stacie Berrows of Troy and James Lee of Alabama.

Organizations

Temperance Union

The February meeting of the Granite City Union of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was held Monday, Feb. 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Central Free Methodist Church in Ponton Beach. A supper was served before the president, Doris Brown, called the meeting to order.

Activities and projects of the union were discussed, such as going to the Madison County Detention Home in Edwardsville, the coloring, poster and essay contests, the Spring Clinic at Springfield and starting a Loyal Temperance Legion for the children.

The program was given by the Honorary Members. Words of introduction were given by Charles Finley and those who participated were Art Cariss, who gave a devotion; Cliff Thomas, who read some Christian responsibilities of men; and Vernon Brown, who told of the activities of the men as honorary members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

Ladies Coterie

The February meeting of the Ladies Coterie was held in the Ladies Parlor of First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Elsie Rodell served a delicious dessert before the business meeting.

President Helen Stumpe opened the meeting with prayer. The Club Collect was read followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members answered roll call by naming a favorite Valentine's Day gift.

Minutes of the November meeting and the Christmas party were read and approved.

President Stumpe announced that the District Meeting was March 13 in Collinsville and the Spring Convention in Alton on March 10.

A letter was read from Children's Home Aid asking for donations to

purchase badly needed car seats in which to transport children. The club voted to send money for one chair.

Following the business meeting, a very interesting program of slides of her Mediterranean Cruise were shown and narrated by Marguerite Lewox.

Eagles Auxiliary

The February 11 meeting of the Eagles Auxiliary was opened by President Susan Allen. Two officers were absent due to illness.

Conductor Helen Mihl and Trustee Florence Haghauser.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the transfer of Dorothy Bertram from Eagles Auxiliary 2914 of Odessa, Texas, of our Auxiliary. Also, a motion was made and seconded to approve the re-nomination of Wilma Dorch. One new application was read on the floor.

Thank you cards were read on the floor from Preston and State Vice President Ruth Brown. A thank you card was also read from the family the Auxiliary helped at Christmas time. Invitations were read from Rockford 392 for state officers weekend March 21, 22 and 23 and also from Streator for Central Zone conference on March 15 and 16. A letter and certificates were received from Grand Madam President Carol Inge for the Auxiliary being a "net gain" auxiliary.

President Joann Spencer, Membership Chairman Evalene Ederle, Dell, Vice Chairman Mildred Boyd sent get well cards to Florence Haghauser, Nadine Summers, Marion Lipscomb and Helen Paschke.

The charter was then draped in memory of Shirley Thompson who died Dec. 29, 1996. Motion was made and seconded to apply for a grant from the Cancer fund.

Discussions were held on the floor regarding the membership party March 1 and the benefit dance

for member Carol Miller, who has cancer.

The Bingo report as well as secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Joanna Spencer reported on secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

There was no jackpot winner as Janet Barrington was not present.

Good of the Auxiliary was won by Ann Pates and Sherrie Wilson.

Meeting was adjourned and refreshments were served by Virginia Zerlan and her committee, Del Deloney, Florence Haghauser and Ann Pates.

Saints Alive

The Madison County Baptist Association group "Saints Alive" met Feb. 14 for their annual Valentine celebration for breakfast at Shoney's Restaurant in Granite City.

Dr. Elwyn Wilkinson, coordinator of the group, placed placemats on the tables with a puzzle game on them. Bob Lewis, president of the group, had small cups of Valentine candy for favors. Kathy Atfelter of Family Ministries placed a chocolate candy heart by each plate. Dr. Wilkinson asked the blessing on the food.

After breakfast, Bob led in singing a Valentine song, "Let Me Call you Sweetheart." He also read a Valentine poem.

Eva Burrow won a prize (a box of candy) for working the puzzle on the place mat. Myra Grate won the attendance prize (a red heart wreath made by Bob Lewis).

Those attending the meeting, in addition to those already mentioned, were: Helen Milton, Louise Acock, Betty Smith, Vera Kirkpatrick, Calvin Talbert, Lavonda Adams, Virginia Arak, Gertrude Sullivan, Wilma Ferrell, Norma Jolly, Bryce Jolly, Olive Stogdill, Edith Campbell, Fern Atfelter, Earl Atfelter, Dolores Hillis, the Rev. Luther Abbott, Ann Abbott, Dorothy W. Faye, Gail, Frances Freeman,

Erby Wood, Millie Wood, the Rev. Robert W. Carter, Juanita Carter, Glyn Knight and Phyllis Knight.

Salon 53

Madison County Salon 53, Eight and Forty, held its meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 18, at the Bethalto American Legion Home. Hostesses for the meal were Elsie Vierage and Wanda Taylor of Bethalto and Nancy Paulz of Alton. Seventeen were served.

Frances Elbeck Chapeau of Edwardsville conducted the business meeting. \$500 will be donated to the Departmental Chapeau Judy Zimmerman's project at the Spring Poudre in Elgin.

Dorothy Sooy, Children and Youth chairman, collected the donations for the Camp Superkide camp. This is held in July for asthmatic children by the American Lung Association of Illinois.

Irene Schneck, Nurses Scholarship chairman, received \$137.71 for a special calendar project for this fund. She collected \$5.50 additional at the meeting.

The attendance prize was won by Frances Cowley of Madison.

A full camper for Camp Superkide was voted totaling \$240. This money was collected through out the year at monthly meetings.

Judy Zimmerman, Departmental Chapeau from Highland, reported on attending the Lincoln Day Pilgrimage in Springfield and placing a wreath for the Eight and Forty during the ceremonies at the Tomb.

Plans were made for an Open House to be held following the business meeting at the Spring Poudre in Elgin in April. Madison County Salon will be hostesses.

The plans were discussed for the annual Chapeau Party to be held April at the Inkeeper Restaurant in Hamel.

Those attending from this area were Mary Baletine, Frances Drowley, Kate Busche, Norma Hillmer and Dorothy Hinson.

Garden clubs hold 45th annual meeting in Collinsville

District V Garden Clubs held their 45th annual meeting March 20 at Collinsville Memorial Library. The Collinsville Garden Club was the host club.

Blooming daffodils, tulips and irises used as table centerpieces were a cheerful welcome for members in attendance. The members welcomed the honored guest Florence Brennan, first Vice President of The Garden Clubs of Illinois Inc.

Fourteen clubs were represented, including Cahokia Garden Club, Carte Blanche Designers Club, Collinsville Garden Club, Edwardsville Garden Club, Fairview Heights Garden Club, Garden Study Club of Granite City, Green Oaks Garden Club of Macoupin County, Lakeview Garden Club of Collinsville, Mascoutah Garden Club, St. Clair County Garden Club of Belleville, Shiloh Valley Garden Club, Trenton Tumbleweeds, Wood River Area Garden Club and Holiday Shores Garden Club.

Terri Odorizzi, president of the host club, gave the welcoming address, with response by District Vice Chairwoman Dorothy Chamberlain. District Director Marian Nelson presided over the meeting.

Each club president and committee chairman reported the highlights of their activities during the year.

Nelson gave the director's report. Chamberlain gave a memorial service for five deceased members: Juanita Shubin, Barbara Moffitt, Evelyn Lebro, Mabel Kuhn and Joyce Wiscup. Nancy Wallace presented the local World Garden program. Wallace continues to work with various groups with seeds and tools collected for this program.

Carol Holbert announced the officers selected by the nominating committee to fill two vacancies. Florence Brennan and Lillian Williams as recording secretary and Lois Roach as treasurer. Brennan also presented some of the awards, normally presented at the state convention, to various clubs. Nelson presented awards of appreciation to Virginia Boequet, Rita Kinsella, Williams and Roach for their outstanding service to the district.

For the program "Exploring New Designs," Boequet described the new floral designs in the 1997 Handbook for Flower Shows. Five members of the Carte Blanche Designers Club had

created the new designs, including a Stretch Design by Tina Chiu, Spatial Thrust by Janet Wright, Angular Design by Lillian Heberer, Duo Design by Boequet and Tubular Design by Sue Beach.

Alice Koritka announced the awards for artistic designs displayed by club members.

Class 1 — "Rocky Mountain High" (novice): Nancy Wallace, second; Lillian Williams, third; Opal Riehl, honorable mention; (advanced): Virginia Boequet, first; Sue Beach, second; Gerry Thorp, third.

Class 2 — "By The Sea" (advanced): Janet Wright, first; May Ellen Lindsey, second; Dorothy Chamberlain, third; Barbara Melton, honorable mention.

LaVerne Renaud announced awards for horticulture displayed: Gerry Thorp — one blue, one red; Nance Wallace — one blue, two red; Phyllis Bruhn — one red; Virginia Bartulis — one blue, one red, one white; Ruth Ann Phillips — one blue, two red; Tina Chiu — one blue; LaVerne Renaud — two blue, one red; and Barbara Melton — one blue.

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